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SPECTACULAR
THRILLS!
IS SCARECROW
DOOMED ON THIS
RUNAWAY ICE
SLAB???
CAN HIS PAL'S
SAVE HIM?

GOSH
FELLERS,
WHAT'LL
I DO?

DON'T GIVE
UP, SCARECROW!
TRY TO
G.. GRAB THE
B.. BRANCH!

AGAIN,
IT'S THE
WORLD'S
FUNNIEST.

WHAT MANNER OF GIRL IS
THIS? HOW DOES DILLY WIN
THE MOST IMPORTANT RACE OF
HIS SLAPSTICK CAREER?

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GEE! LOOK, JOHN'S WON FIRST PRIZE! THINK OF ALL THE FUN AND EXTRA MONEY HE'S MAKING

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The LITTLE WISE GUYS

in "IT'S IN THE BAG"



GEE, I WONDER WHERE SCARECROW FOUND ALL THAT PLAY MONEY? IT SURE MAKES A GOOD PRESENT!

HEY! LET ME HAVE A CLOSER LOOK AT THOSE BILLS!

IT'S NUTHIN' BUT PLAY MONEY!

STORY BY
CHARLES BIRG

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU OPENED A LARGE GIFT BOX AND FOUND IT PACKED WITH NEW CRISP MONEY AND YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHO YOUR GENEROUS GIVER WAS? WOULD YOU KEEP IT?

SUPPOSE YOU DECIDED TO, BUT CERTAIN UNPLEASANT PEOPLE HAD OTHER PLANS FOR IT? SEE WHAT THE LITTLE WISE GUYS DO!



THE POOR LITTLE FELLOWS! THEY'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRISTMAS SO MUCH, AND THERE'S SO LITTLE WE CAN DO FOR THEM!

I'LL HELP OUT WITH THE PARTY! AND SO WILL MY GIRL FRIEND, ELLEN! WE'LL COOK UP SOMETHING!

THOSE KIDS DESERVE THE BEST! I WISH WE COULD GIVE IT TO THEM!



SAY, I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE STORE! IF I'M LATE AGAIN, MR. ASTON WILL FIRE ME, AND I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MY JOB JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS!

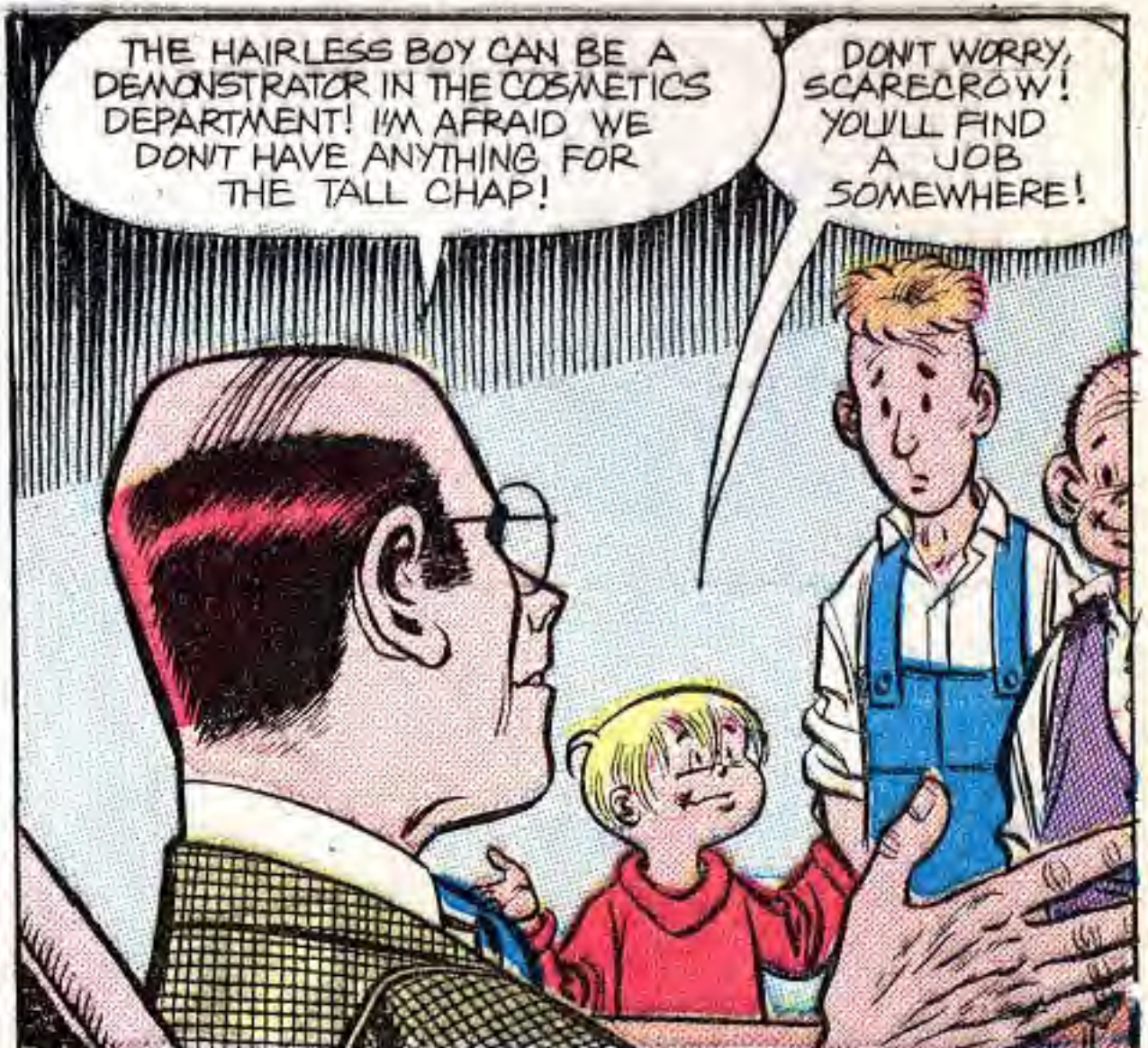
AND NOT TO MENTION THE FACT THAT YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED! YOU HURRY UP NOW, JIMMY! A STORE GUARD IS IMPORTANT AT THIS TIME OF THE YEAR! DON'T WORRY—WE'LL MAKE OUT SOMEHOW!



NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I FIGURE OUT MY BANK ACCOUNT, IT ALWAYS COMES OUT ZERO!

NOW YOU CAN'T BUY YOURSELF A CHRISTMAS PRESENT LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO!

HECK, THE STORE ALWAYS NEED EXTRA HELP AT CHRISTMAS! C'MON, LET'S ASK FOR JOBS AT ASTON'S DEPARTMENT STORE!





THOSE GUYS HAVE BEEN HANGING AROUND OUT THERE FOR ALMOST A HALF HOUR! I WONDER WHAT THEY'RE UP TO? NO GOOD, I'LL BET!



ARE THE RECEIPTS IN THAT BOX? WHY AREN'T YOU USING THE LOCKED BRIEFCASE?

IT'S A WORLD SHAKING IDEA OF MR. ASTON'S! HE SAYS THAT NO THIEF WOULD SUSPECT THERE'S MONEY IN A GIFT WRAPPED PACKAGE!



PARDON, ME, MRS!

JIMMY! HE'S GOT THE BOX!

OOFF! PARDON ME, SIR!



HELP! THERE HE GOES! JIMMY!

GET OUT OF MY WAY!

JUST A MINUTE, MISTER! WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE PUSHING AROUND?



GET OUT OF THE WAY, YOU FOOL! STOP! STOP THAT MAN!



STOP HIM! HE'S STOLEN THE STORE RECEIPTS!

WHICH WAY DID HE GO?

I CAN'T RUN NOW THAT COP WOULD SPOT ME! I'D BETTER DITCH THIS BOX BEFORE THEY SEE ME WITH IT! I CAN PICK IT UP LATER!



HERE YOU ARE, SANTA! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

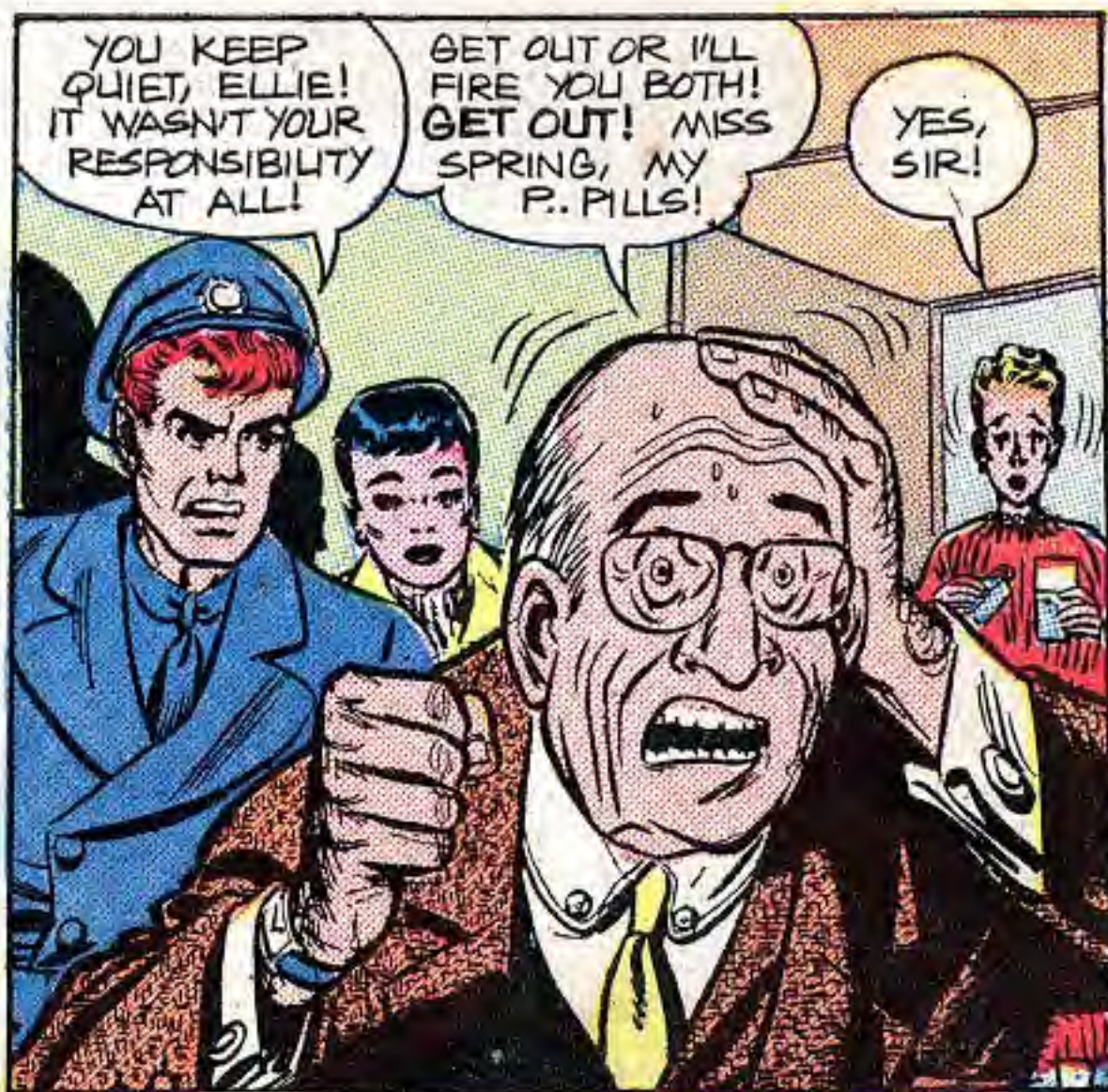
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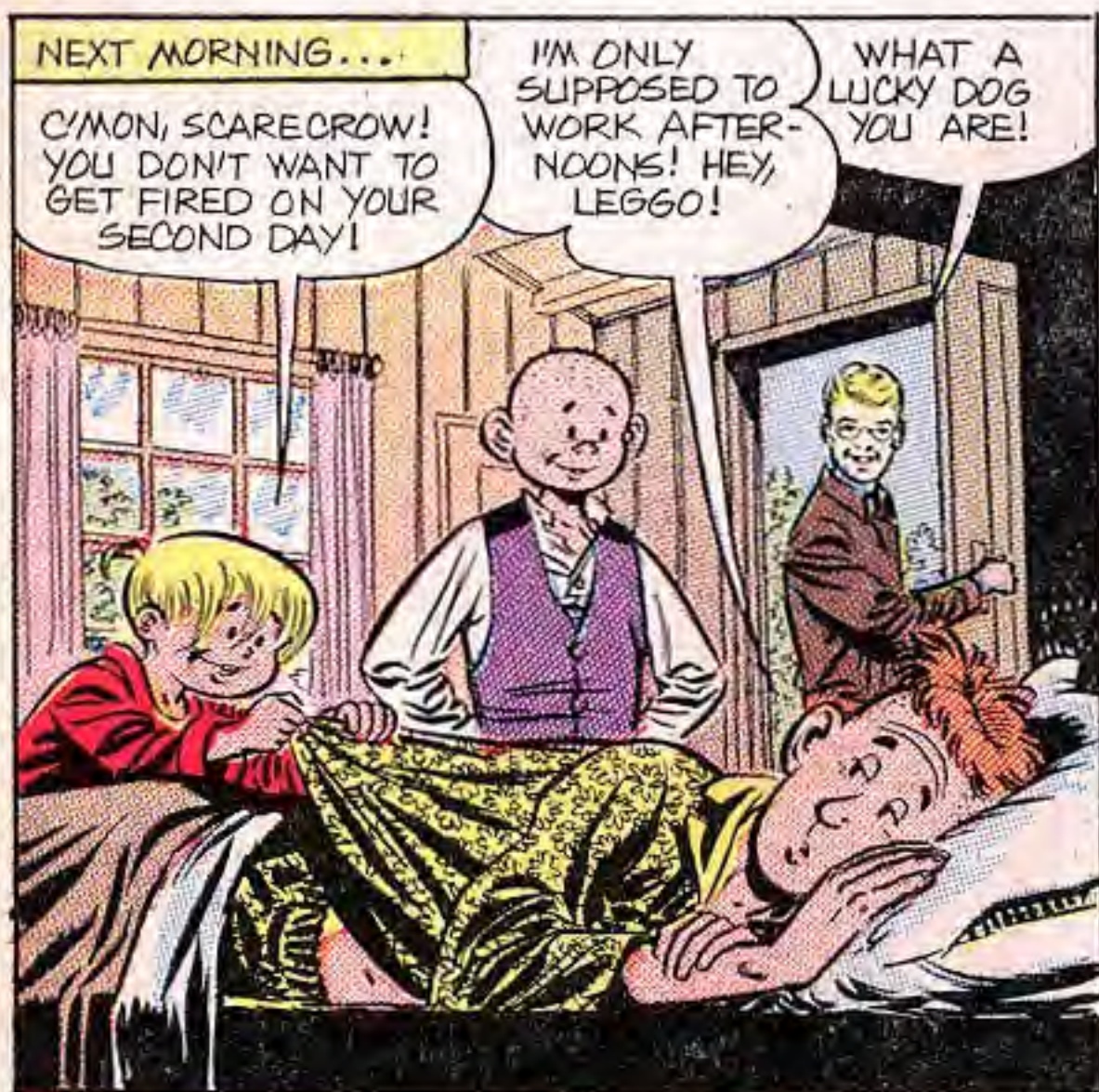


WHERE IS HE? WHAT DID HE LOOK LIKE?

I DON'T KNOW... IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST, HE WAS AVERAGE HEIGHT, TAN COAT, BALD HEAD I THINK... I'M NOT SURE!

WE'D BETTER TELL MR. ASTON RIGHT AWAY!



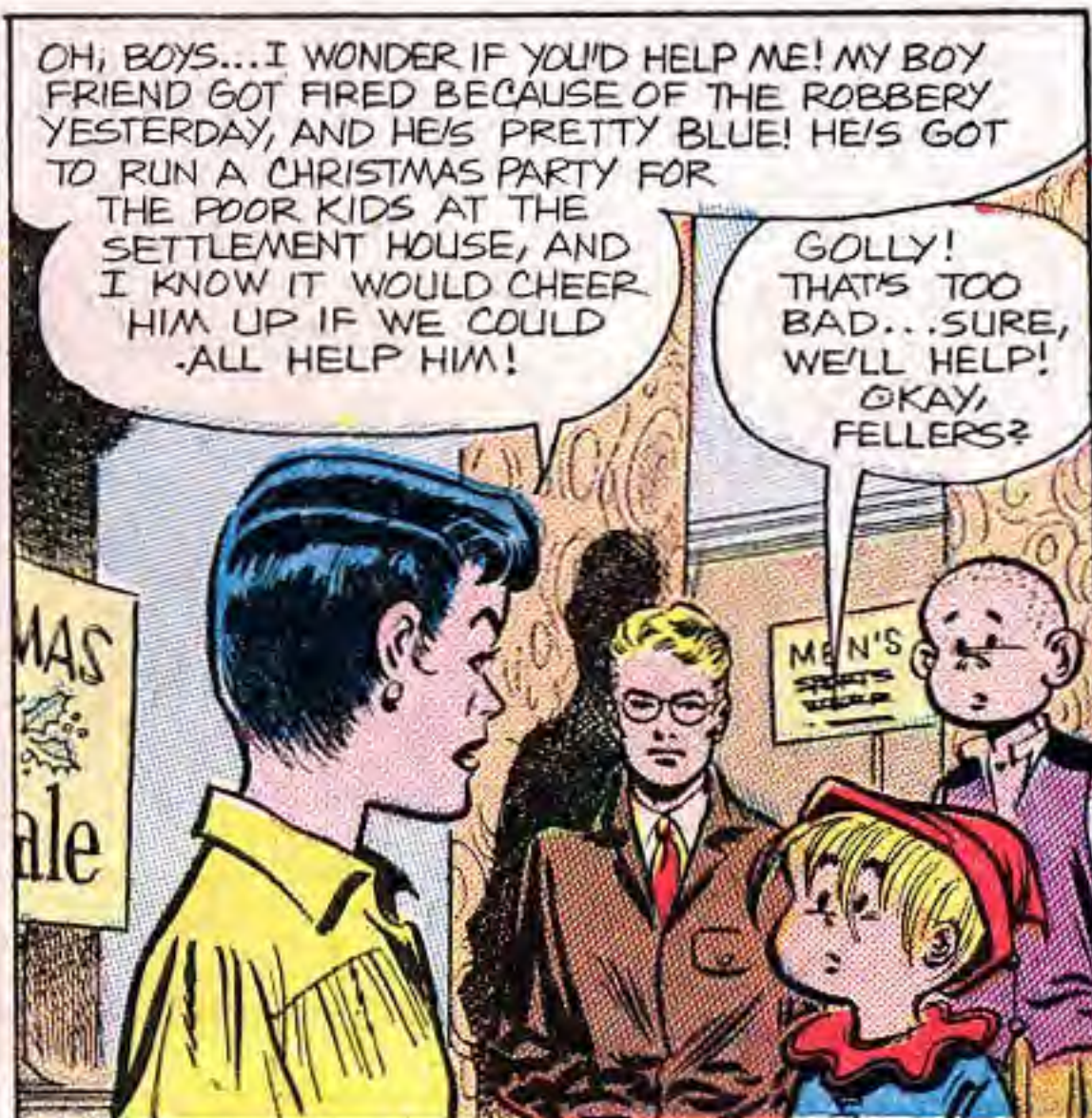


NEXT MORNING...

C'MON, SCARECROW! YOU DON'T WANT TO GET FIRED ON YOUR SECOND DAY!

I'M ONLY SUPPOSED TO WORK AFTER-NOONS! HEY, LEGGO!

WHAT A LUCKY DOG YOU ARE!



OH, BOYS... I WONDER IF YOU'D HELP ME! MY BOY FRIEND GOT FIRED BECAUSE OF THE ROBBERY YESTERDAY, AND HE'S PRETTY BLUE! HE'S GOT TO RUN A CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR THE POOR KIDS AT THE SETTLEMENT HOUSE, AND I KNOW IT WOULD CHEER HIM UP IF WE COULD ALL HELP HIM!

GOLLY! THAT'S TOO BAD... SURE, WE'LL HELP! OKAY, FELLERS?



YOU BET! BUT CAN WE GET OFF WORK?

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY'S SET FOR NOON, SO WE CAN GO OVER DURING OUR LUNCH HOUR!

WE'VE EVEN GOT A PAL WHO CAN BE SANTA CLAUS! I'LL CALL HIM AND TELL HIM TO MEET US OVER THERE!



THAT NOON...

IT LOOKS PRETTY SAD, DOESN'T IT? I SEEM TO BE MESSING UP EVERYTHING!

OH, JIMMY, IT'S WONDERFUL! CONSIDERING THAT YOU HAD SO LITTLE MONEY, YOU'VE DONE A MARVELOUS JOB!



WELL, I GUESS IT'S NOT GOING TO LOOK ANY BETTER... YOU MIGHT AS WELL LET THE KIDS IN!

MERRY CHRISTMAS, CHILDREN!

WHERE'S SANTY CLAUS? WE WANT SANTY!



NOW DON'T YOU GET IMPATIENT! SANTA WILL BE HERE IN A FEW MINUTES! HE HAS TO SEE A LOT OF CHILDREN TODAY!

WHERE IS YOUR SANTA?

HE WAS OUTSIDE A MINUTE AGO! I'LL TAKE A LOOK!



UP HERE! I'M STUCK!

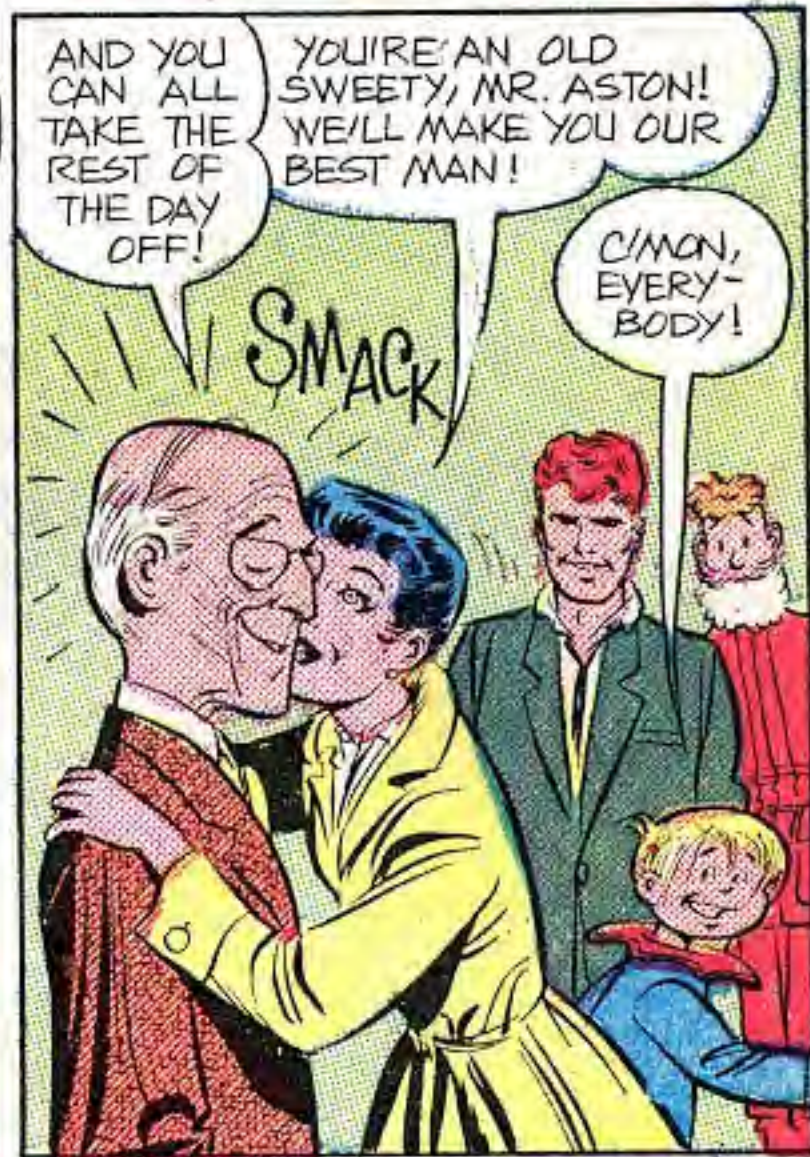
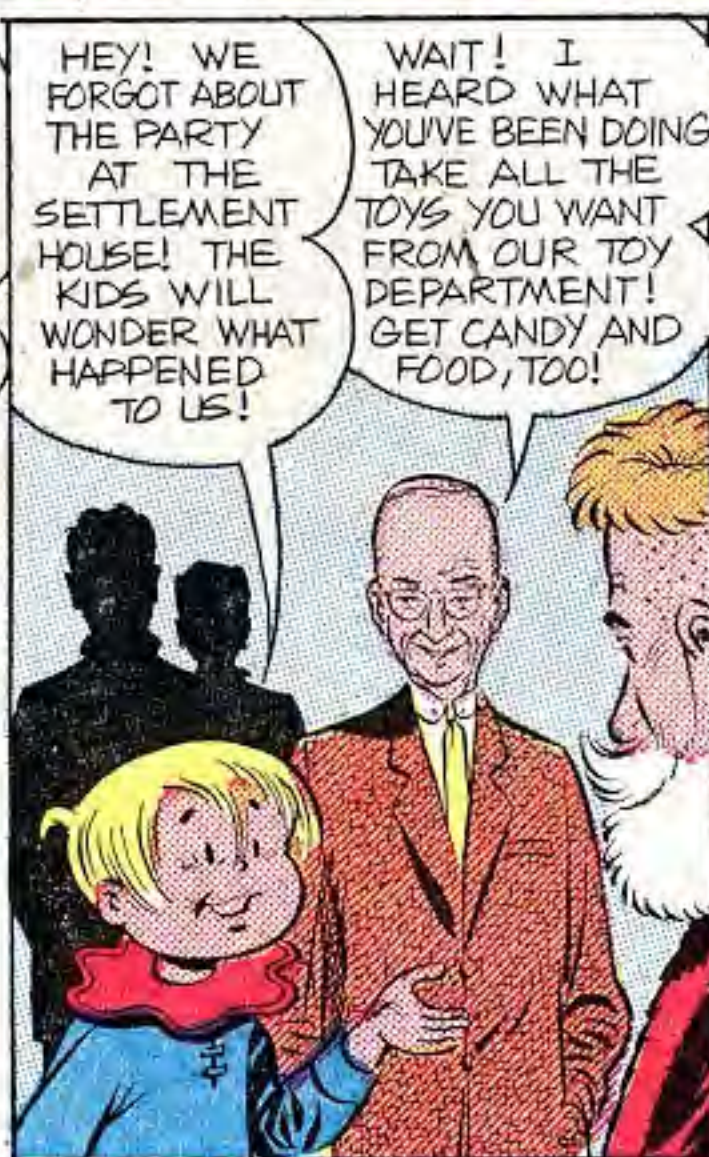
PSST! SCARECROW! WHERE ARE YOU?



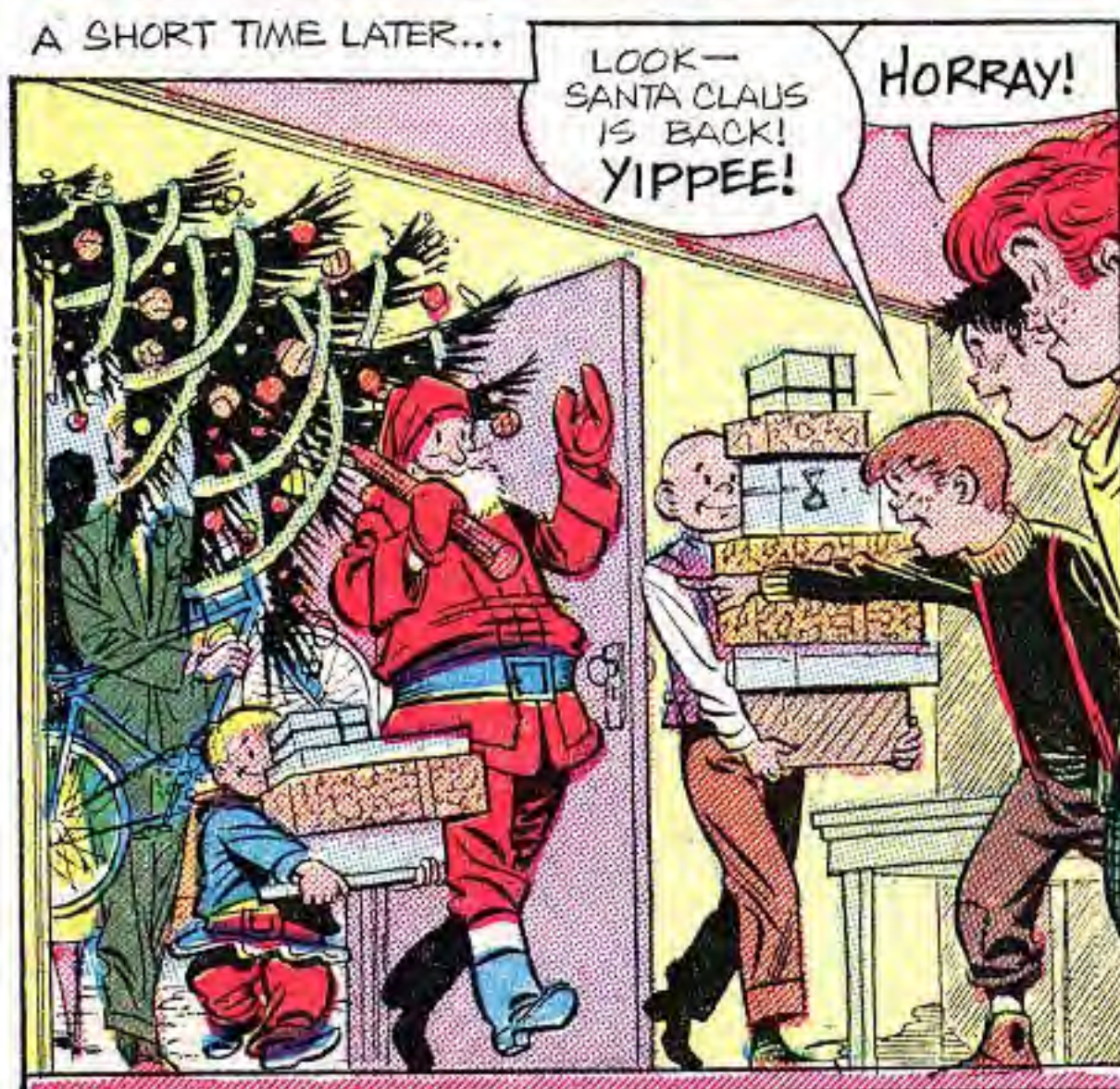
OF ALL THE... FOR PETE SAKE! YOU WOULD TRY AND COME DOWN THE CHIMNEY! TRY PULLING THE PILLOWS OUT!

OH, YEAH! THAT'S A GOOD IDEA! I'LL JUST... WHOOPSS!





A SHORT TIME LATER...



The LITTLE WISE GUYS

in "HE WAS A GOOD SKATE"

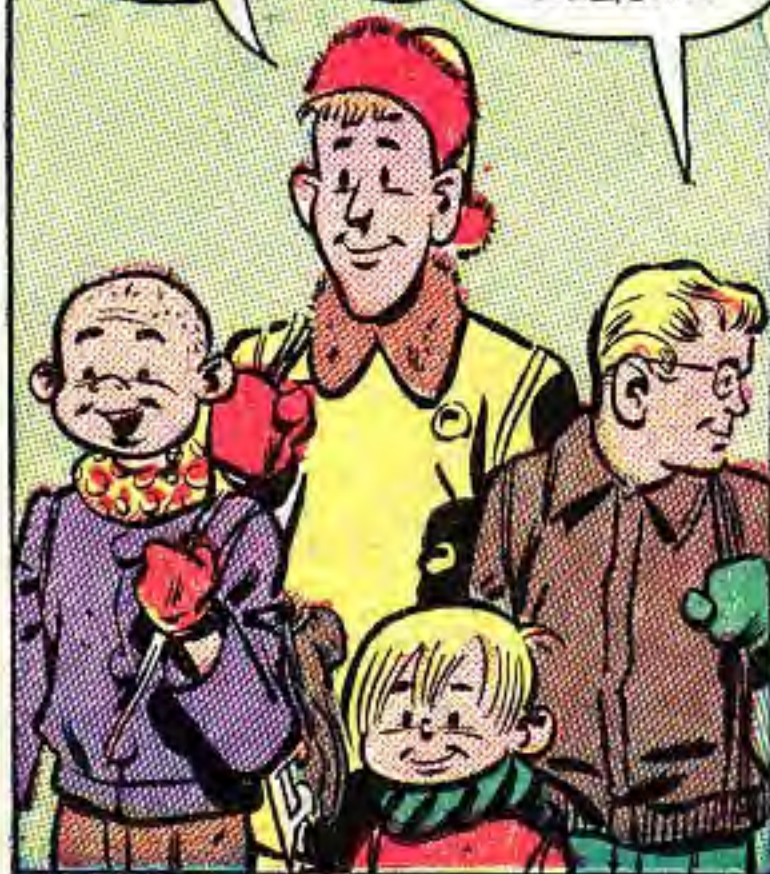
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IT IS SO EASY TO MISJUDGE SOMEONE AS SCARECROW DISCOVERS! HE LEARNS HOW NOT TO JUMP TO CONCLUSIONS, HOWEVER TEACHING HIM HOW NOT TO FALL TO CONCLUSIONS WAS SLIGHTLY OVERLOOKED! FORTUNE, GOOD OR BAD, HARDLY EVER OVERLOOKS THIS UNGAINLY BUT LOVABLE EARTH CREATURE!

WHAT A PERFECT DAY! I'LL BET THE RIVER'S FROZEN A FOOT THICK!

THE MAIN STREAM NEVER FREEZES OVER, BUT THAT HARBOR BY THE OLD YACHT BASE SHOULD BE SOLID... HEY! LOOK - A SLEIGH!



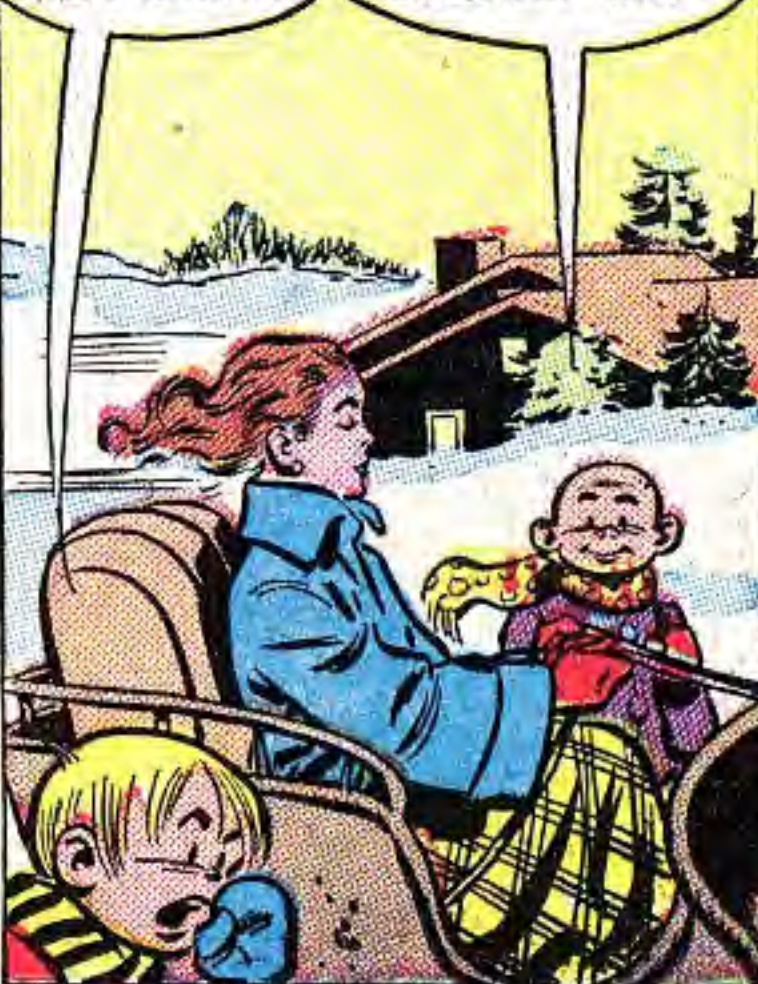
AAH! IT'S THAT SNOOTY ALICE VAN VOORHEES! THAT STUCK-UP DAME GIVES ME A PAIN!

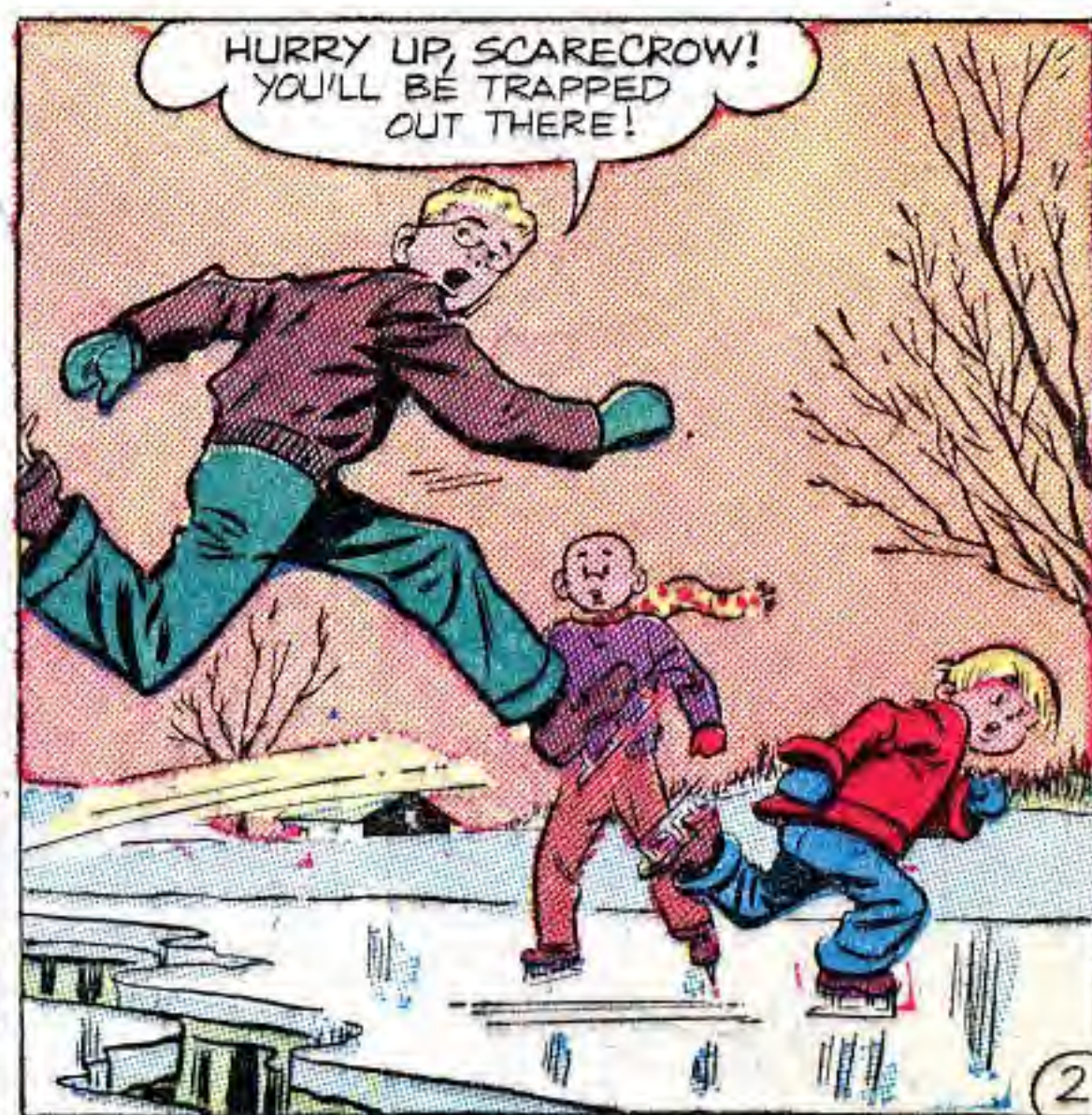
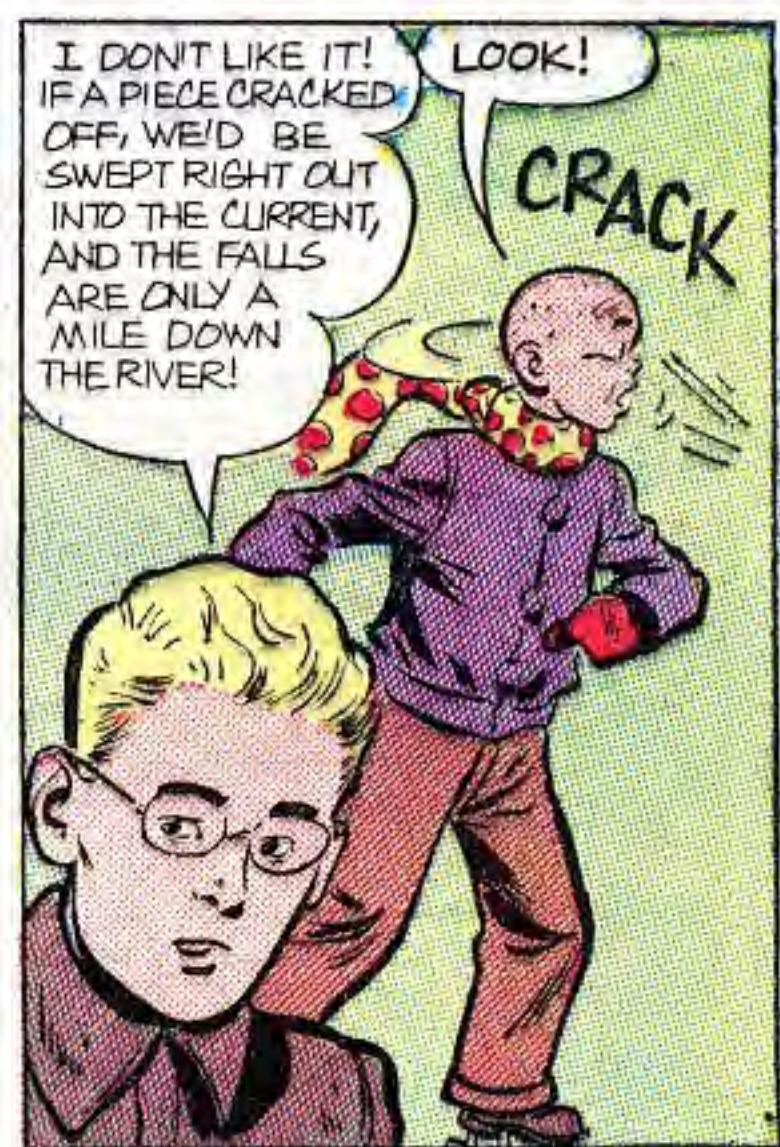
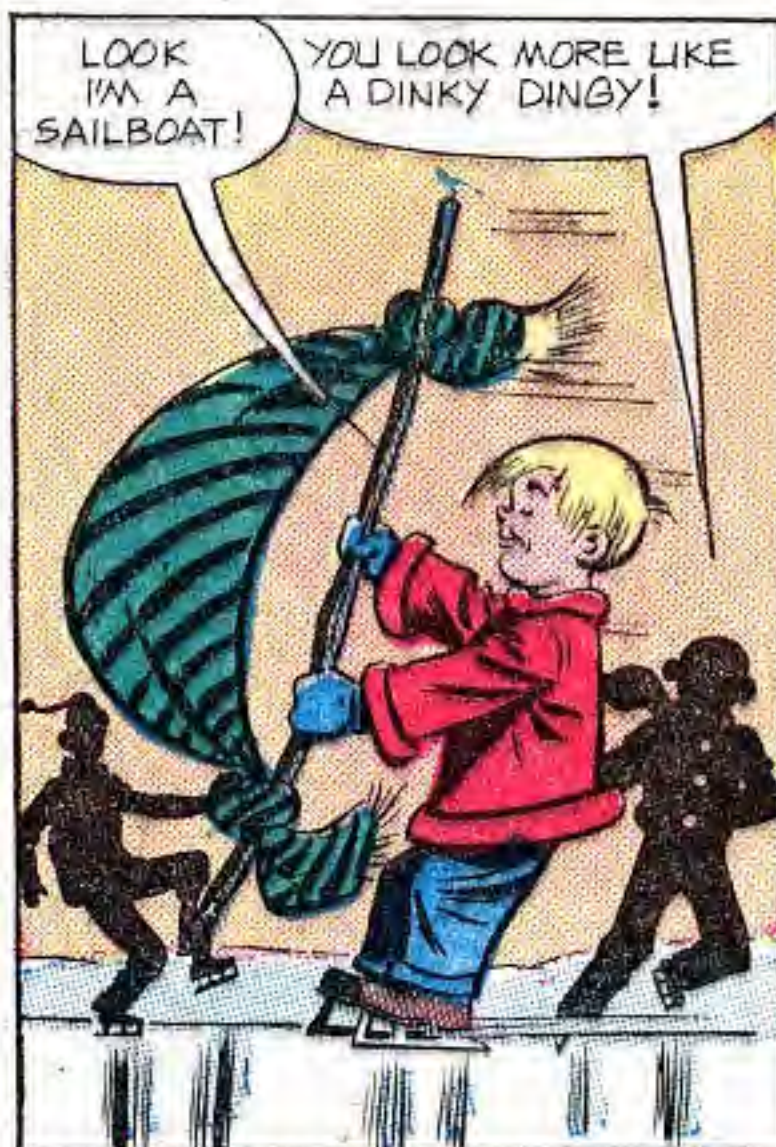
GEE, SHE SURE IS PRETTY! MAYBE SHE'LL GIVE ME A RIDE!

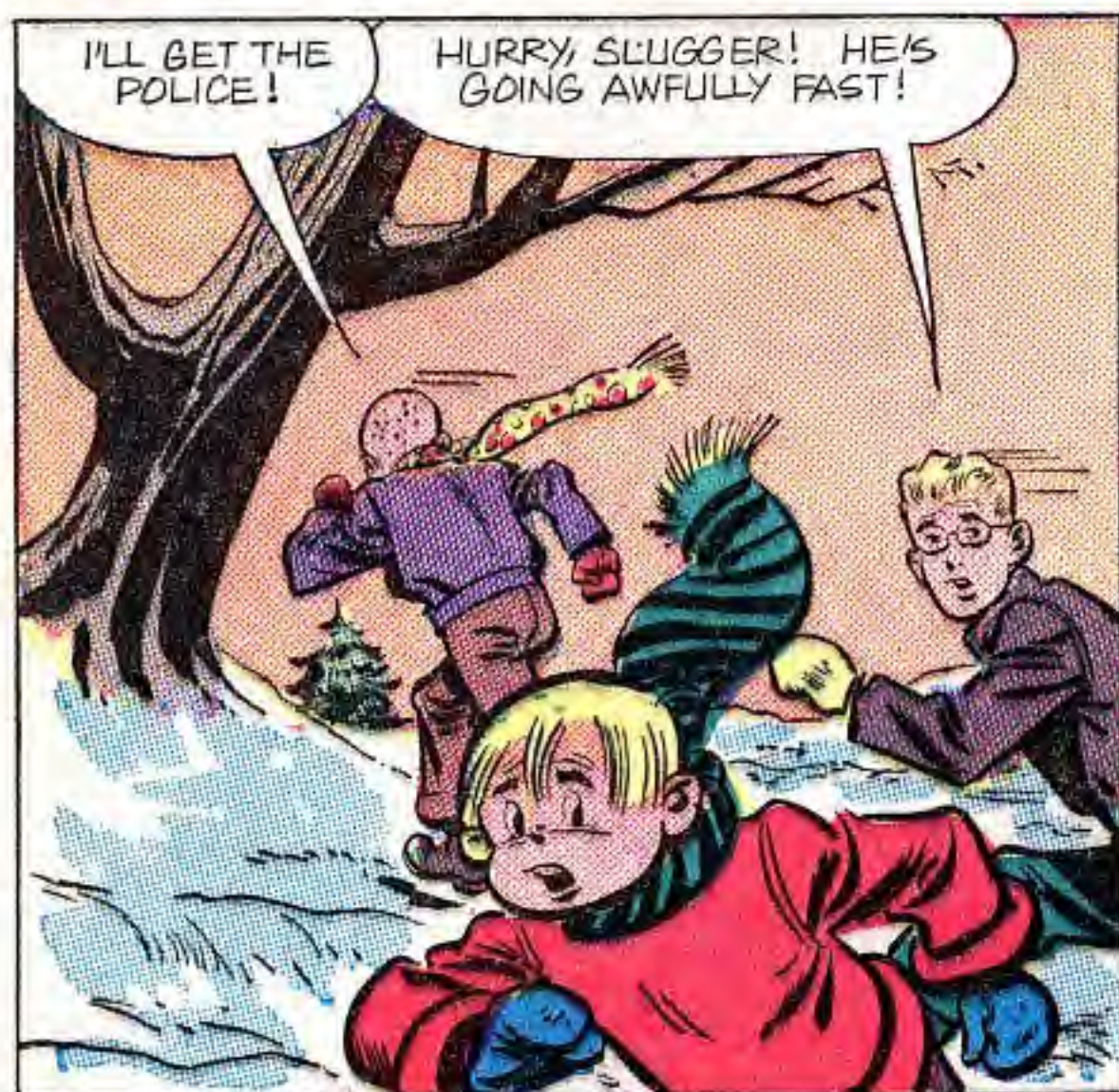


WATCH OUT, YOU DOPE! DO YOU WANT TO GET RUN OVER?

SHE MAY BE PRETTY, BUT HER HEART'S AS HARD AND COLD AS ICE!



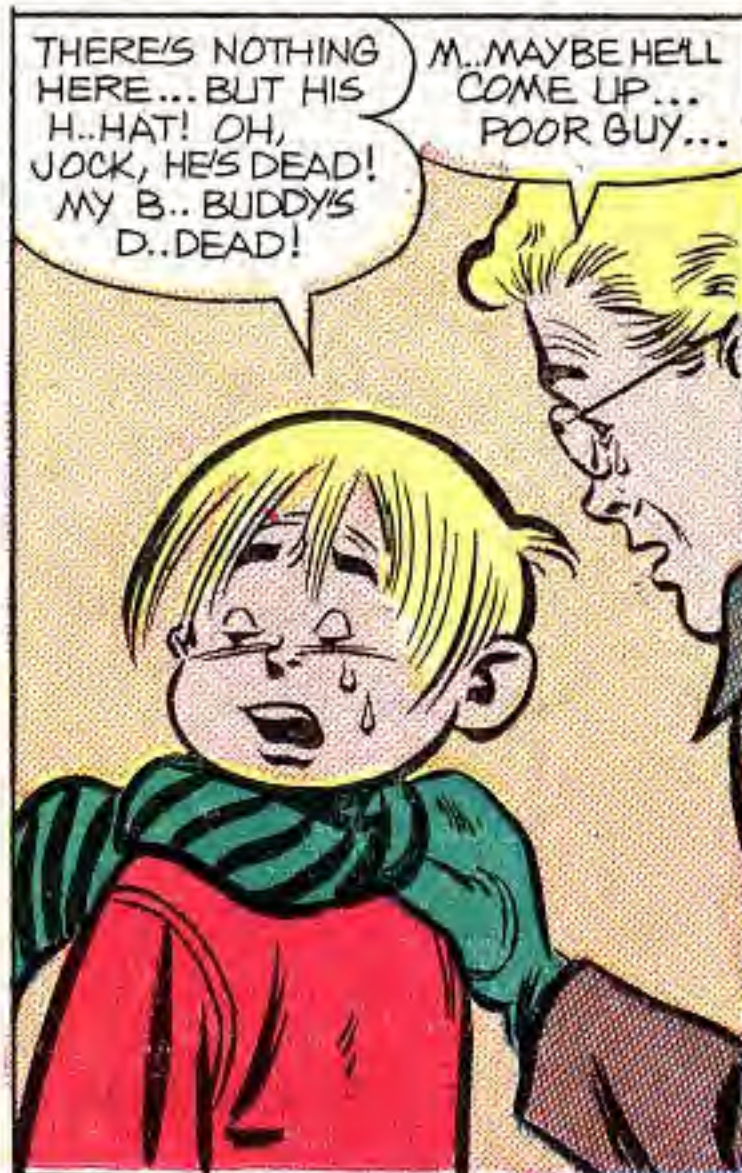






SCARECROW!
I'M COMING!
I'LL GET
YOU!

DONT, SLUGGER! YOU
CANT HELP HIM NOW!
WE CANT EVEN SEE
HIM! YOU'LL ONLY
GET KILLED YOURSELF!
LET'S CLIMB DOWN
TO THE BOTTOM OF
THE FALLS...
MAYBE WE CAN
FIND HIM!



THERE'S NOTHING
HERE... BUT HIS
H..HAT! OH,
JOCK, HE'S DEAD!
MY B.. BUDDY'S
D..DEAD!

M..MAYBE HE'LL
COME UP...
POOR GUY...



MEANWHILE...

B..BOY! IS
THAT WATER
C..COLD! G..GEE
...I WONDER
WHAT HAPPENED
TO THE
WISE GUYS!



I F..FEEL LIKE I SPENT THE
N..NIGHT IN A DEEP FREEZE...
H..HEY! H..HERE COMES
SOMEBODY!



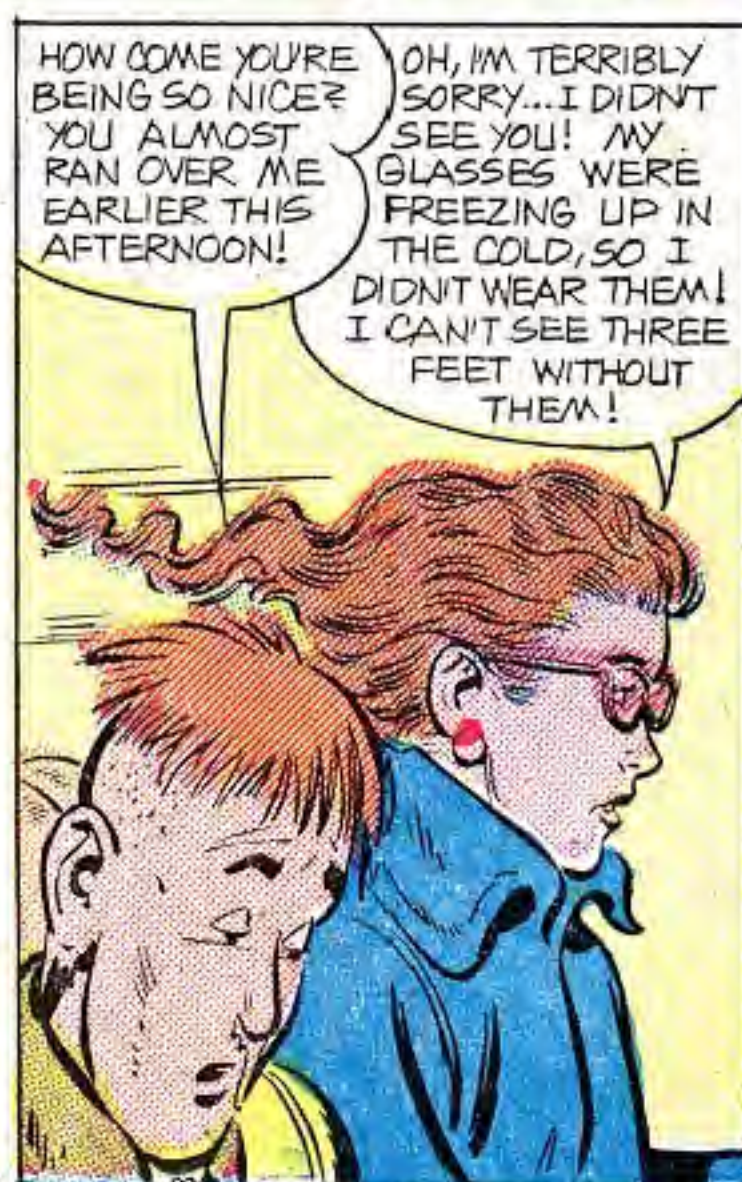
P..PLEASE, MISS...
C..CAN YOU H..HELP
ME? MISS...
I'M C..COLD!

WHAT? WHO'S THAT? GOOD
HEAVENS! YOU'RE FROZEN
STIFF! COME IN -
QUICKLY!



I'M S..SORRY
... MY
JOINTS DONT
B..BEND!

HERE, I'LL HELP YOU!
GOODNESS! WHAT HAVE
YOU BEEN DOING?
YOU'D HAVE FROZEN
TO DEATH IF I HADN'T
COME BY! WE'LL
DRIVE TO MY HOUSE
AND GET WARM!



HOW COME YOU'RE
BEING SO NICE?
YOU ALMOST
RAN OVER ME
EARLIER THIS
AFTERNOON!

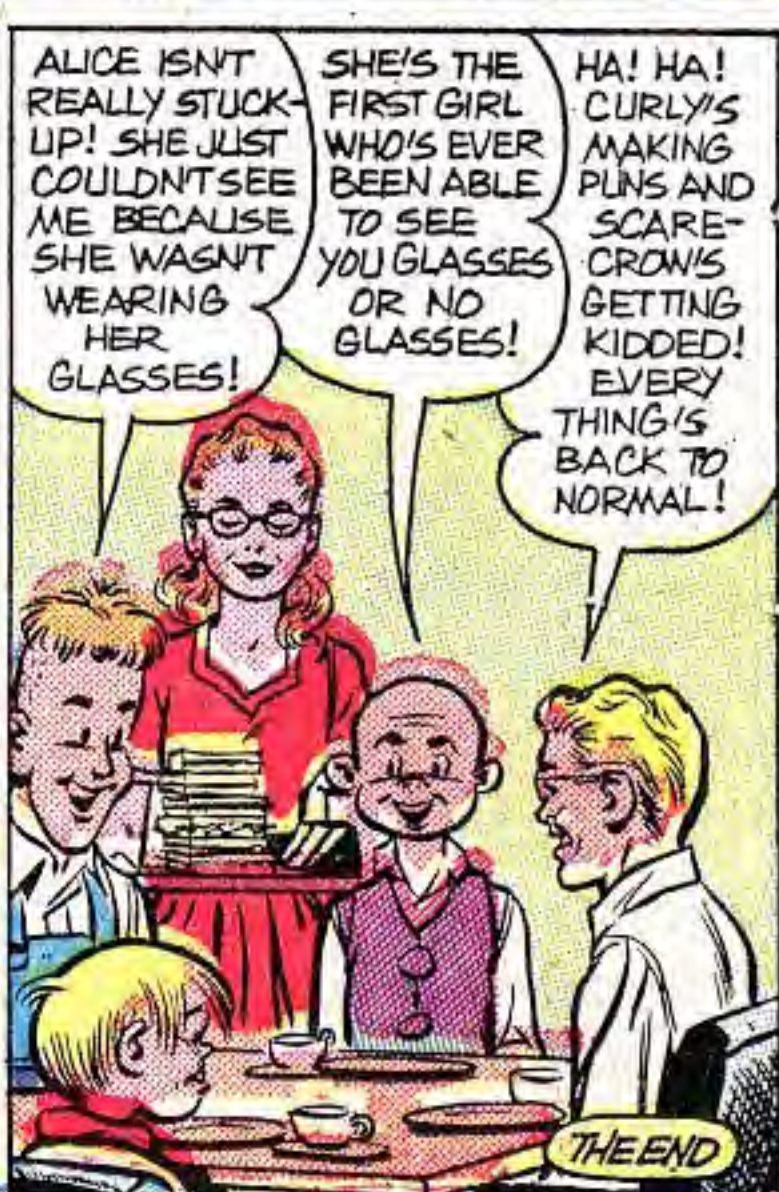
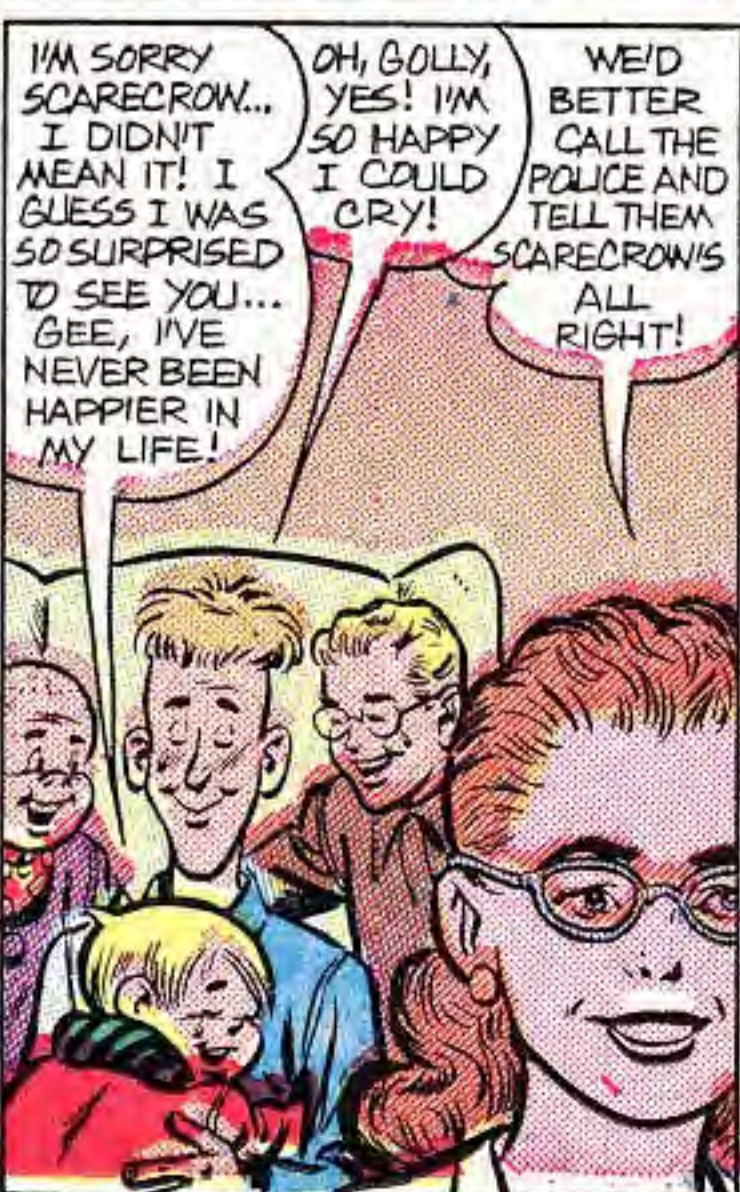
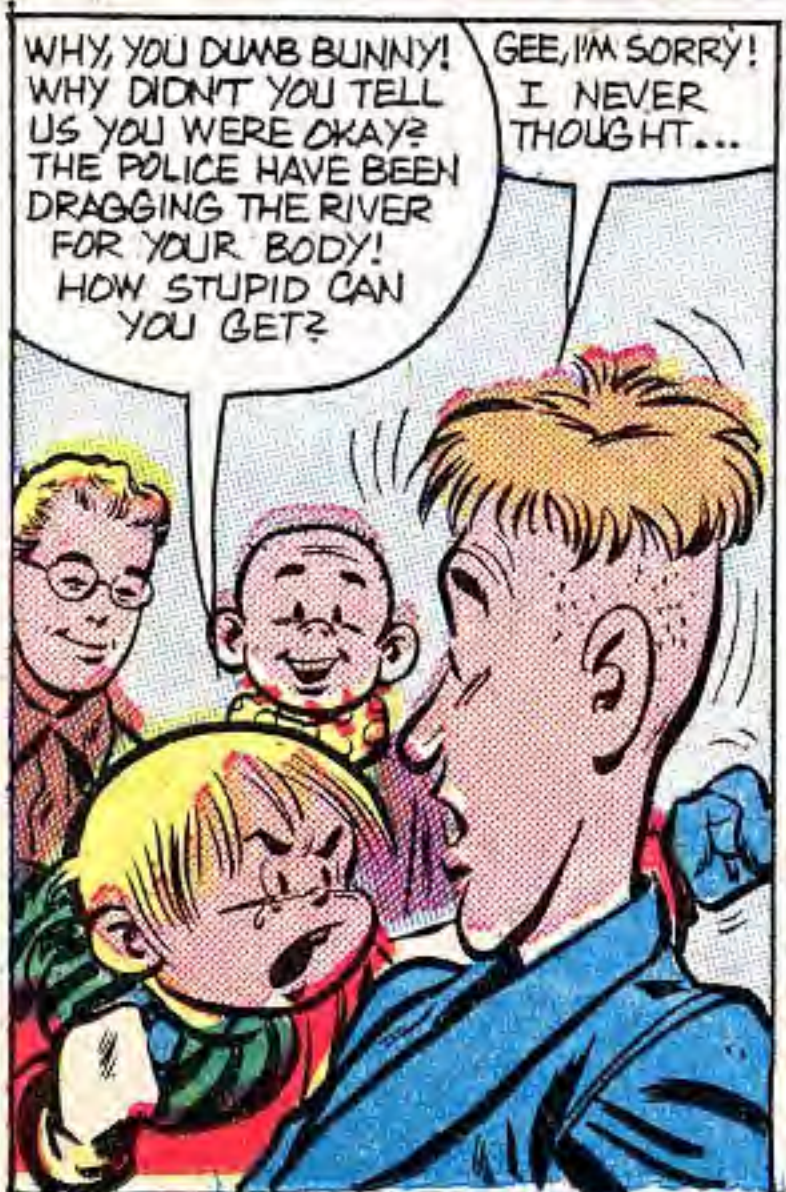
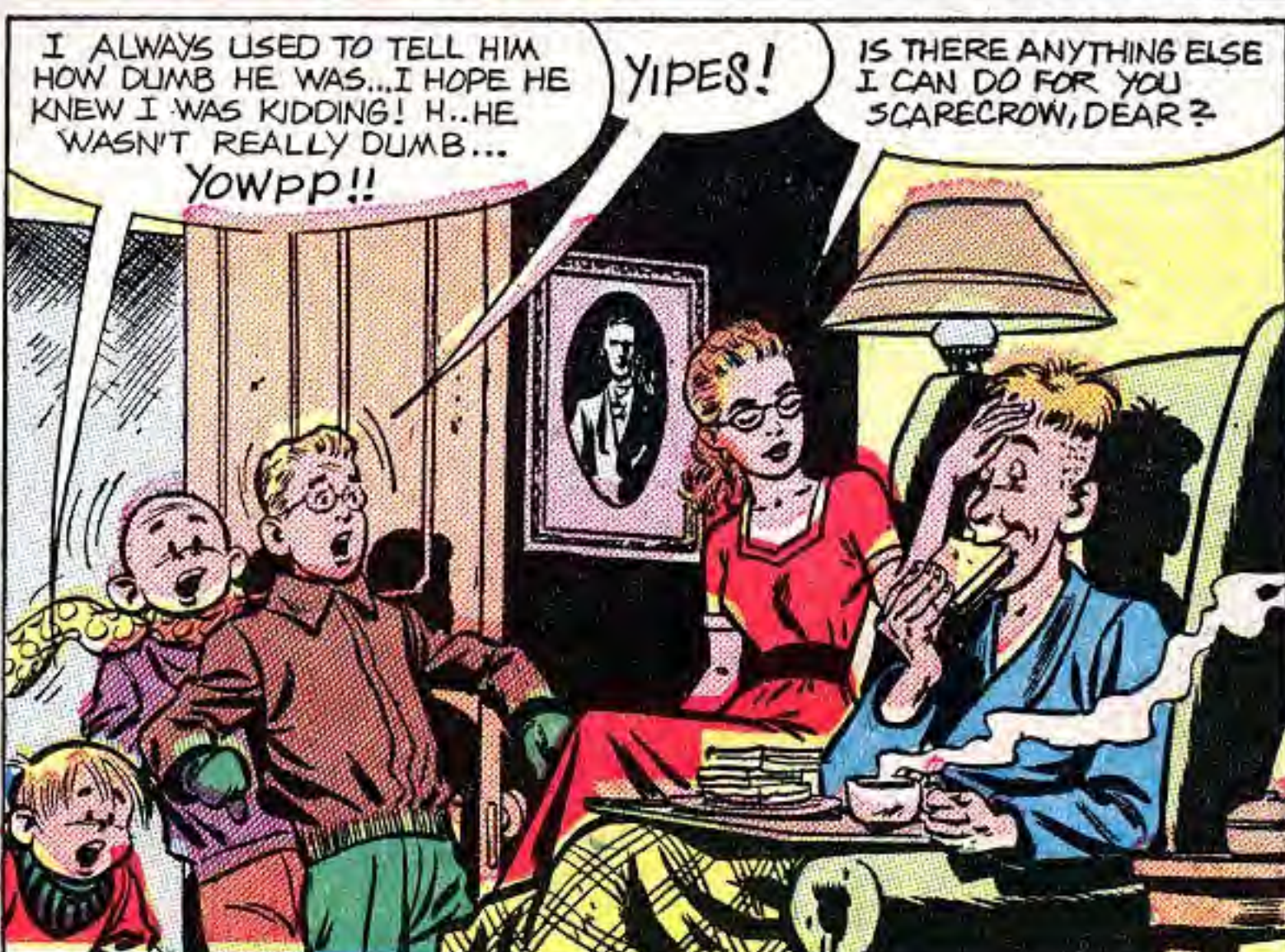
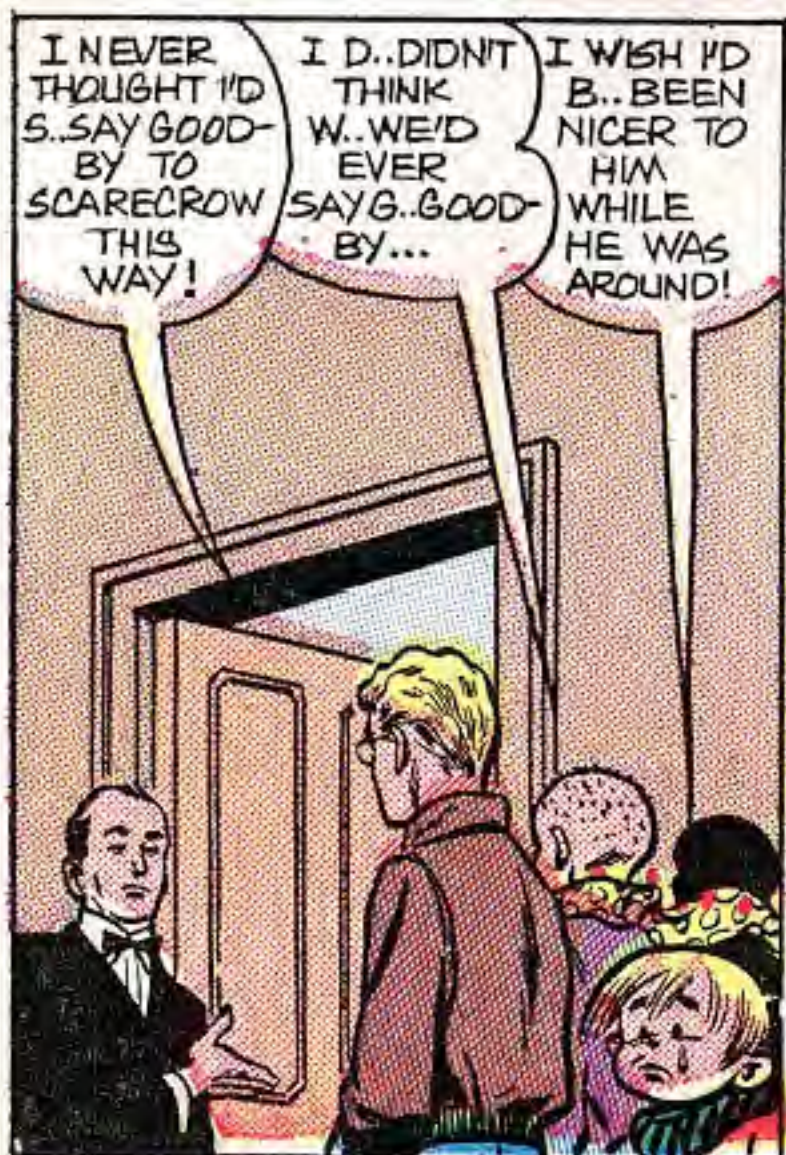
OH, I'M TERRIBLY
SORRY...I DIDNT
SEE YOU! MY
GLASSES WERE
FREEZING UP IN
THE COLD, SO I
DIDNT WEAR THEM!
I CANT SEE THREE
FEET WITHOUT
THEM!



AN HOUR LATER...

IF YOU BOYS DONT GET
OUT OF THIS COLD, YOU'LL
END UP IN THAT
AMBULANCE! YOU CANT
DO ANY GOOD HERE!
WE'LL LET YOU KNOW
AS SOON AS WE
LEARN ANYTHING!

I GUESS
YOU'RE RIGHT...
LET'S GO,
FELLAS!



JUMPING

THE GUN

HAMLET IN KNEE PANTS

The Irish boy actor Joseph Burke, who was a stage star at five, was acclaimed by critics and audiences alike, for the skill with which he played adult roles. After his Dublin debut in Tom Thumb in 1824, he was engaged to play Hamlet, and for the next six years he toured the British Isles acting in Shakespearean parts as well as comedies and melodramas. He came to America with his parents at the age of eleven, and continued his triumphs in such parts as Shylock, Richard III, and Hamlet. He retired from the stage, an old trouser at seventeen, and spent the rest of his life as a successful violinist, dying in 1902 at the ripe age of 83.

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PRODIGY OF THE KEYBOARD

Wearing a white tie and tails, and displaying big, toothy smiles, a six year old Brooklyn boy gave his third piano recital at Carnegie Hall in June, 1955. Atop the piano stood a candelabra, purchased for him by his mother as an incentive to her son who idolizes Liberace whom he watches on television. The youth began taking piano lessons at the age of four, and progressed so well in his studies that he was booked for two concert appearances at Carnegie Hall one year later.

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THE BIG LIFT

A toy tractor capable of carrying a two hundred pound load at six miles per hour for about eight hours on a gallon of gas, has made a Great Barrington, Massachusetts, youth the envy of all his friends. The tractor was built for him during a six weeks period by his father, who used a discarded lawn mower and scrap metal to make the giant toy. The tractor weighs one hundred pounds and is powered by a lawn mower engine which is started by a rope, and controlled by a throttle and clutch.



ONE IN A MILLION

Because he is afflicted with a rare condition known as ganglioneuropathy, an eight year old boy of Pembury, England, doesn't cry if he gets hurt because he cannot feel pain of any kind. His parents who have a twenty-four hour job of watching him, examine the boy carefully each time he stops playing to make certain he hasn't suffered any serious cuts or bruises. There are believed to be a total of only six such cases in existence.

AND I VOTED
REPUBLICAN!



JUVENILE DELINQUENT

A two year old California youngster received a letter from the state income tax bureau informing him that he hadn't filed a return and would suffer "severe penalties" if he didn't settle up immediately. Red faced officials later admitted it was all a mistake (May, 1955).

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At the age of eleven, when most boys have time for little except Boy Scouts, cowboys and Indians, a Minot, North Dakota, lad has found time to publish a newspaper. His paper, the South Hill News, has a circulation of about fifty copies every two weeks, and makes about \$1.50 in advertising profits on every issue. An average copy of the paper contains 8 pages and besides local news, includes a combination Almanac, Moon Book and Horoscope, and a Stumpword contest along the lines of a crossword puzzle. A correct answer entitles the lucky contestant to three free editions of the paper and ten cents.

FIERY YOUTH

Since the mass resignation of the adult volunteer fire department of Spencer, West Virginia, the town's fire fighting force has been manned by high school students who regard it as a school activity and resign after commencement. All of Spencer's fire chiefs during the past thirteen years have been youths under the age of nineteen. The boys speed in getting to blazes and putting them out has won them official recognition from the town's 3,500 residents.



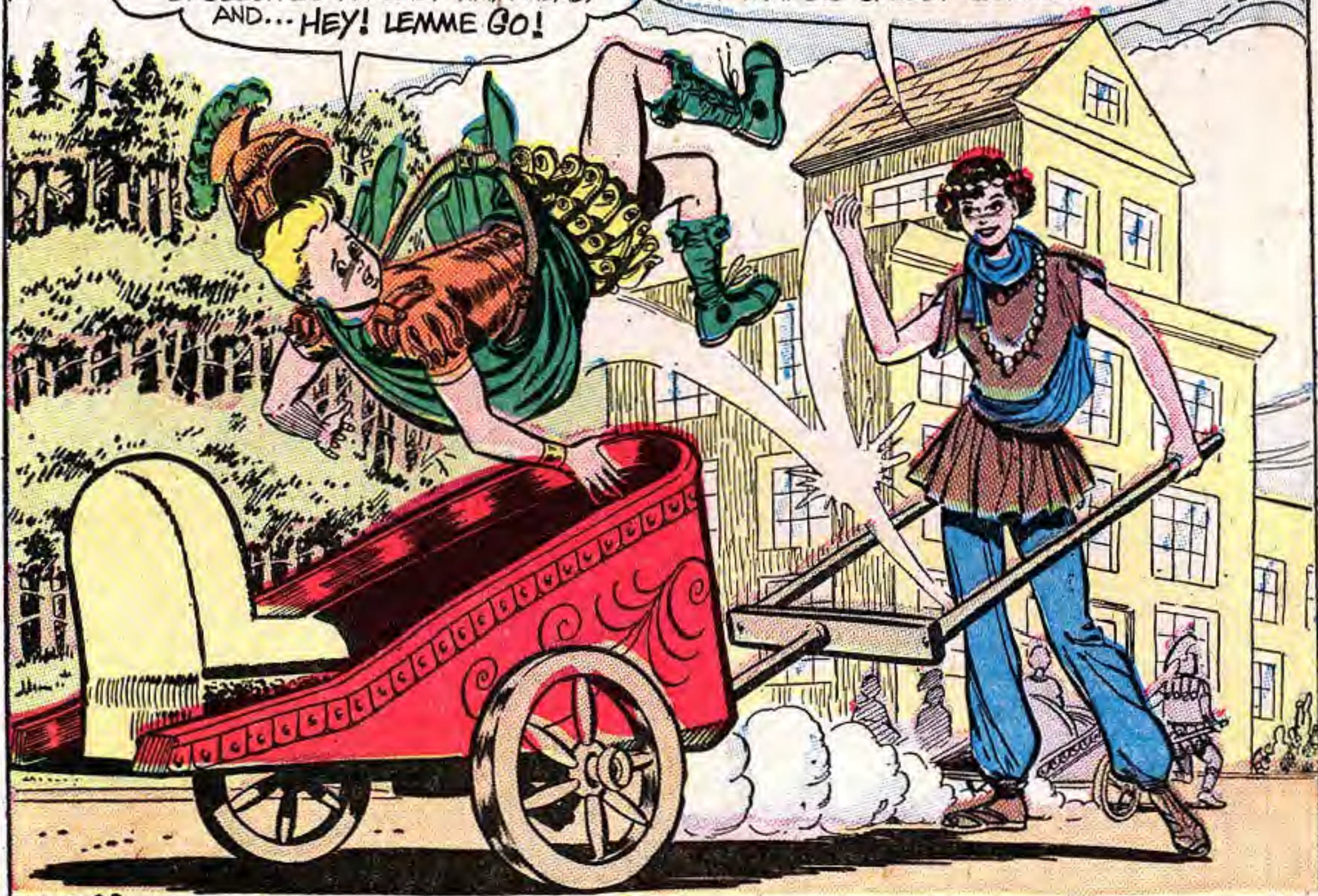
DILLY DUNCAN

in "THE BACK-SEAT DRIVER"

IN THE RUNNING BATTLE BETWEEN GRUESOME JONES AND DILLY DUNCAN, DILLY'S BRAINS HAVE USUALLY WON OVER GRUESOME'S BRAWN! BUT THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY CHARIOT RACE IS ONE EVENT THAT GRUESOME HAD ALWAYS WON... UNTIL DILLY GOT AN UNEXPECTED ASSIST FROM AN EAGER AMAZON!

HEY, WHAT'RE YOU STOPPING ME FOR? GRUESOME'S ALREADY WAY AHEAD, AND... HEY! LEMME GO!

SIT TIGHT, DILLY! WE'RE NOT GOING TO LET THAT BIG GALLOOT LICK US!



THAT PICTURE OF GRUESOME AS CAESAR HAS BEEN HANGING THERE FOR A YEAR NOW! HAVEN'T YOU SEEN IT OFTEN ENOUGH?

I'M JUST MAKING MYSELF MORE DETERMINED TO BEAT GRUESOME THIS YEAR! AFTER THE RACE TOMORROW THAT'S GONNA BE MY PICTURE HANGING UP THERE!

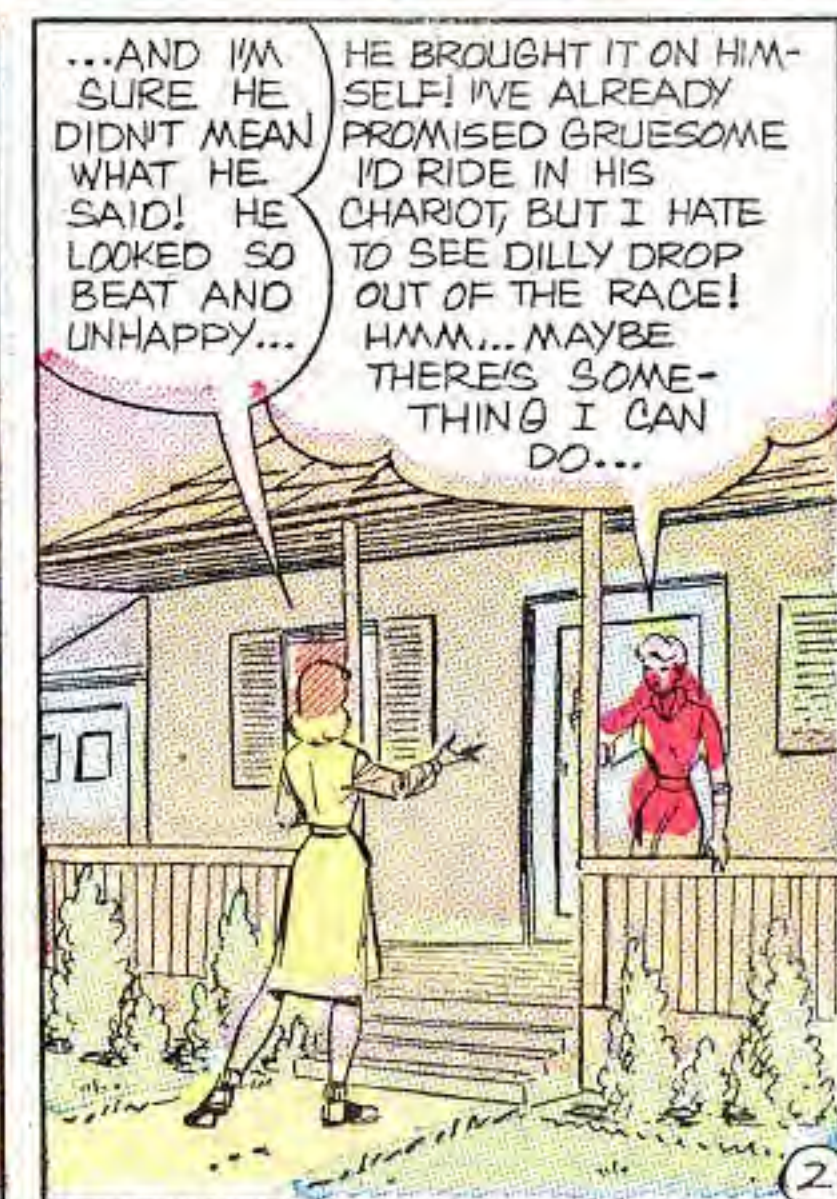
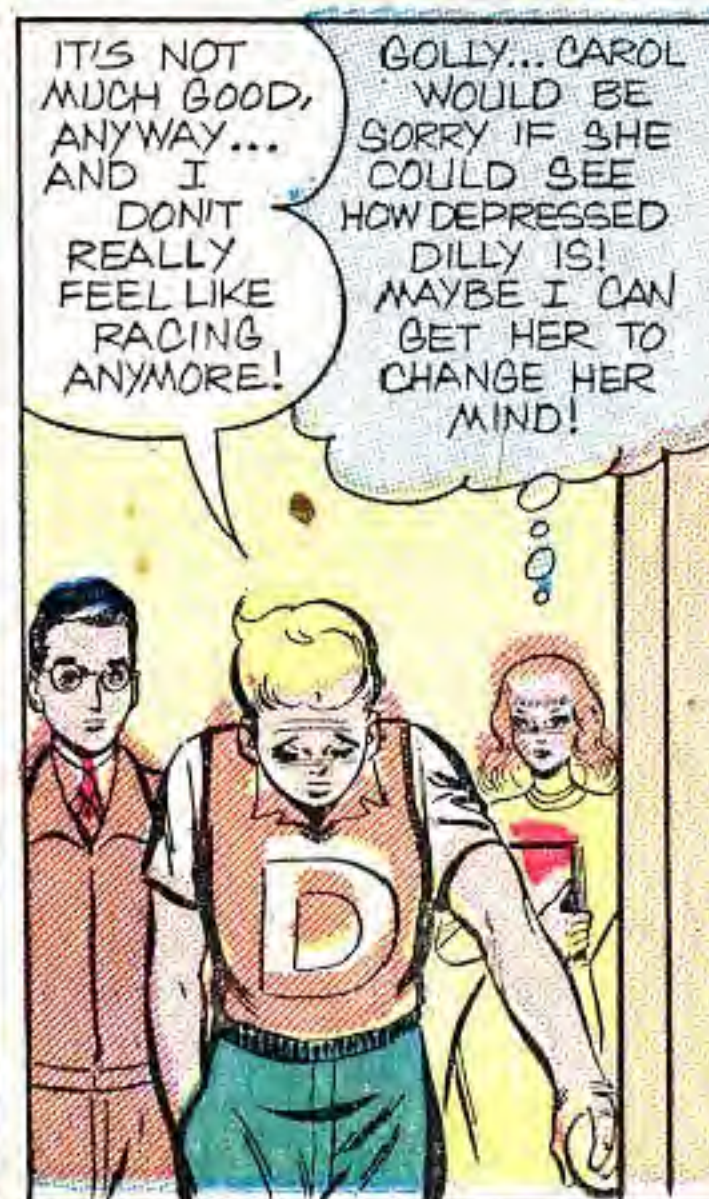
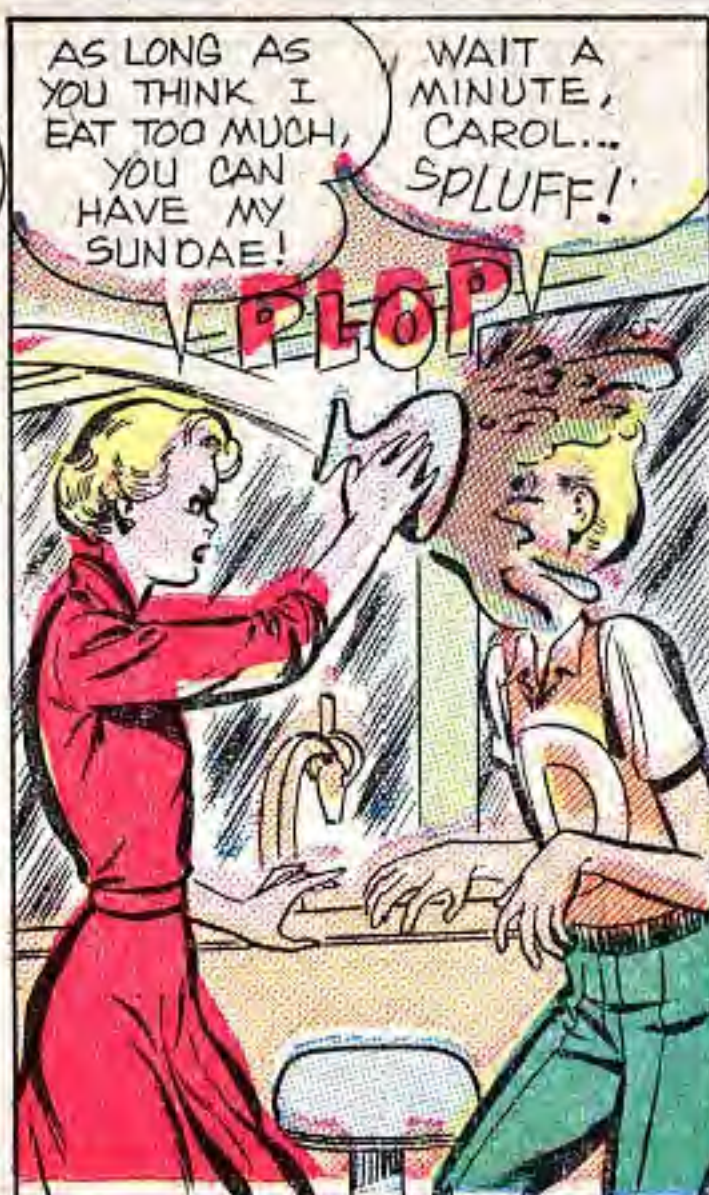
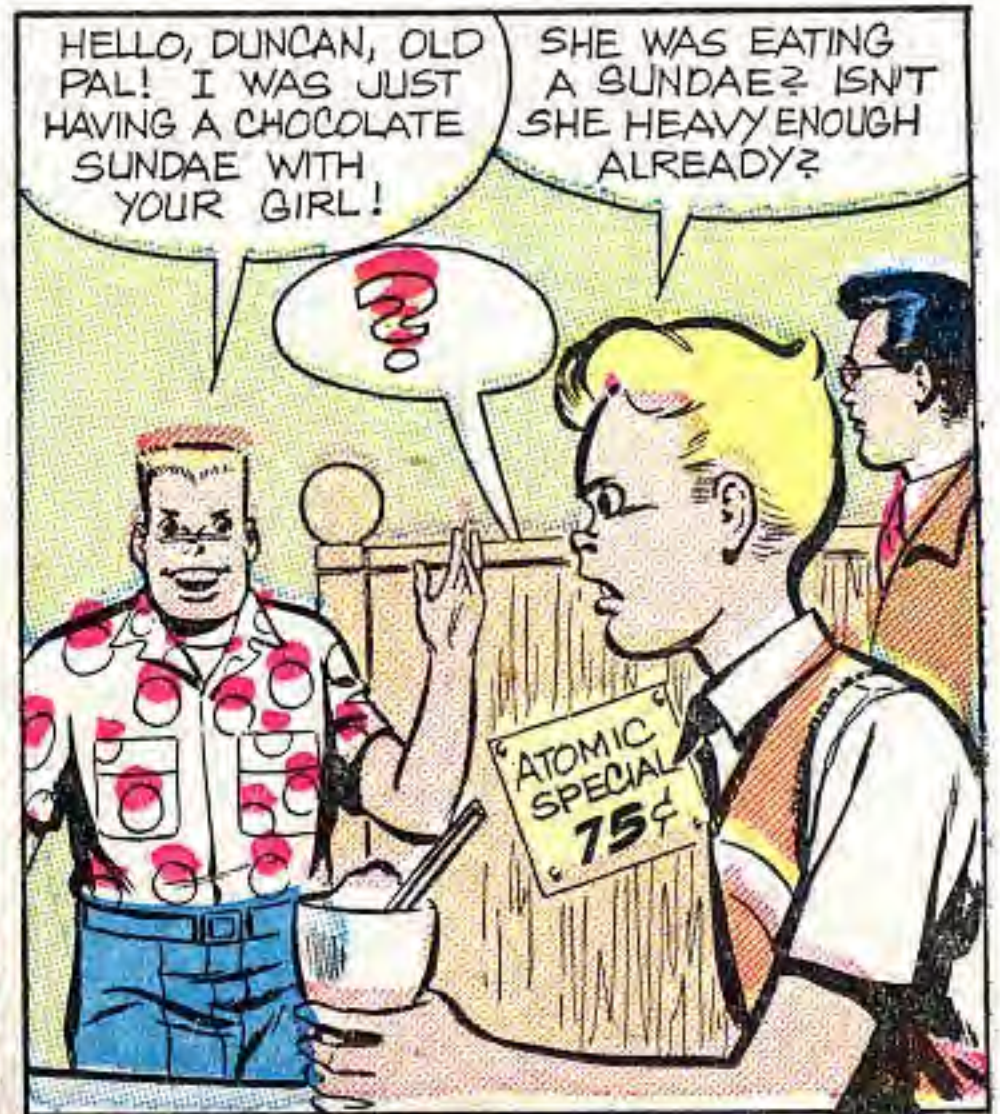
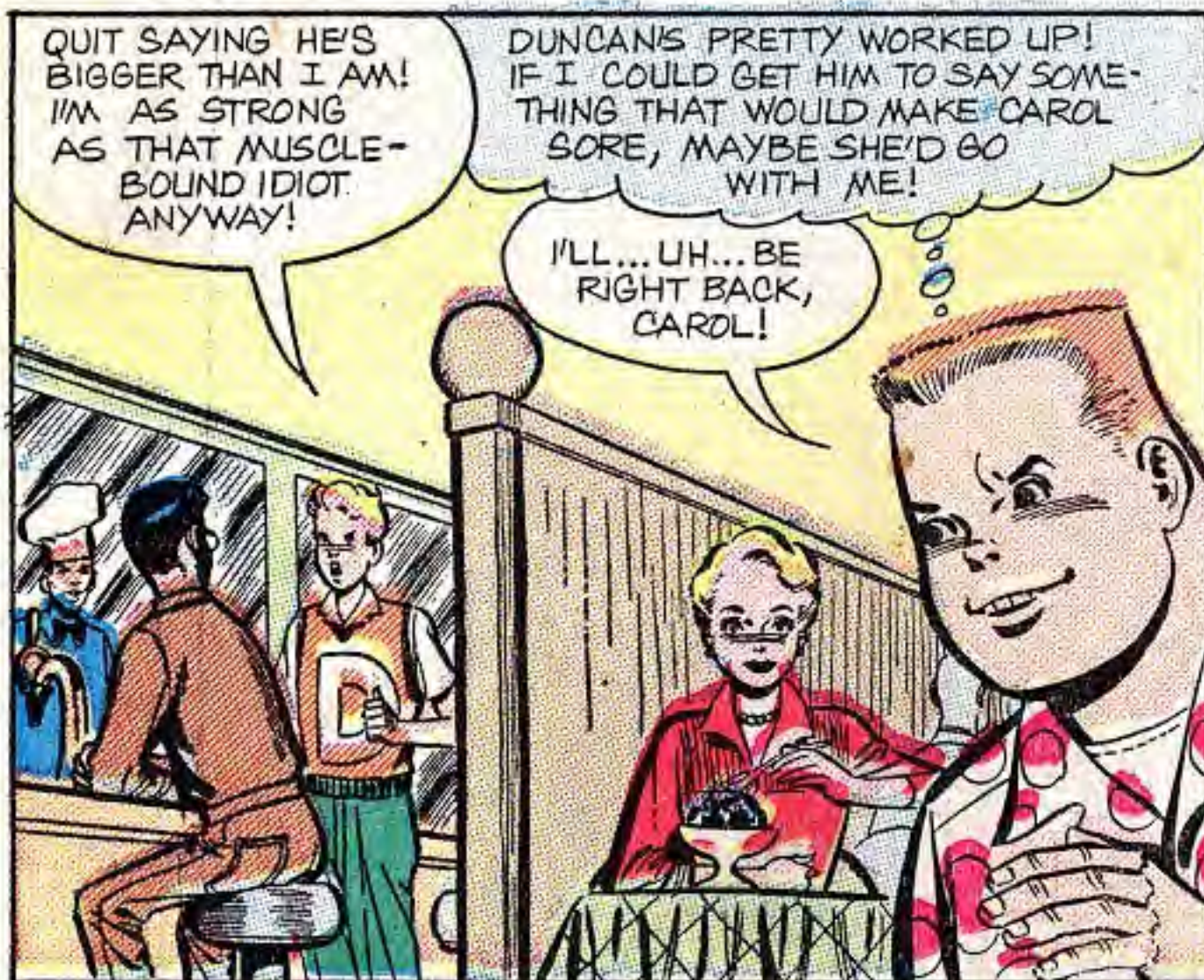
I WOULDN'T MIND SO MUCH IF IT WAS ANYBODY ELSE, BUT THAT BIG OX ALWAYS WINS! AND I HAVE TO WAIT ON HIM FOR A WHOLE DAY... I'M GONNA LICK HIM THIS YEAR, OR DIE IN THE ATTEMPT!

DON'T TAKE IT SO SERIOUSLY, DILLY! IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT BECAUSE HE'S BIGGER THAN YOU ARE! C'MON- LET'S COOL OFF WITH A SODA AT THE SWEET SHOPPE!

HOW ABOUT RIDING WITH ME THIS YEAR, CAROL? YOU'LL NEVER BE CLEOPATRA SO LONG AS YOU STICK TO DEAD HEAD DUNCAN!

I'VE ALREADY PROMISED DILLY, GRUESOME! I CAN'T DISAPPOINT HIM!





WOMEN! A MAN CAN'T TRUST ANY OF 'EM! THEY'LL ALWAYS KICK YOU WHEN YOU'RE DOWN— AND THEN LEAVE YOU LYING IN THE DUST! I'M THROUGH WITH THEM FOREVER!

OH, DILLY!

CAROL! I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T FAIL ME! WE'LL BEAT 'EM ALL! I CAN'T MISS WITH YOU IN MY CHARIOT! BOY, OH, BOY!

TAKE IT EASY, DILLY! I'M STILL RIDING WITH GRUESOME, BUT MY COUSIN JEANNIE'S COMING TO TOWN FOR THE WEEKEND, AND I'M SURE SHE'LL BE GLAD TO RIDE WITH YOU!

OH, YOUR COUSIN, HUH? WELL, THAT'S BETTER THAN BEING ALL ALONE, I GUESS! IS SHE PRETTY?

SURE! SHE'S TWICE AS PRETTY AS I AM! AND TWICE AS SMART! AND SHE'S GOT TWICE AS GOOD A FIGURE!

GEE! SHE SOUNDS PRETTY KEEN! I'D BETTER HURRY UP AND FINISH MY CHARIOT!

JEANNIE'S COMING IN ON THE TRAIN TONIGHT! C'MON OVER AFTER SUPPER AND MEET HER! SEE YOU LATER!

WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU? I THOUGHT YOU'D HAVE THAT ALL CHOPPED UP BY NOW!

CAROL'S FIXED ME UP WITH HER COUSIN! SHE'S TWICE AS GOOD-LOOKING AS CAROL, AND TWICE AS SMART! I'M GONNA HAVE THE PRETTIEST CLEOPATRA THIS SCHOOL EVER SAW!

DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE ONE GIRL WHEN SHE SAYS ANOTHER ONE IS PRETTY? GIRLS ARE ALL WET WHEN IT COMES TO JUDGING BEAUTY!

DON'T WORRY, CAROL'S A SMART GIRL! YOU'RE GONNA SEE A GIRL WHO'S TWICE AS SHARP AS ANYBODY YOU EVER SAW BEFORE! MARK MY WORDS!

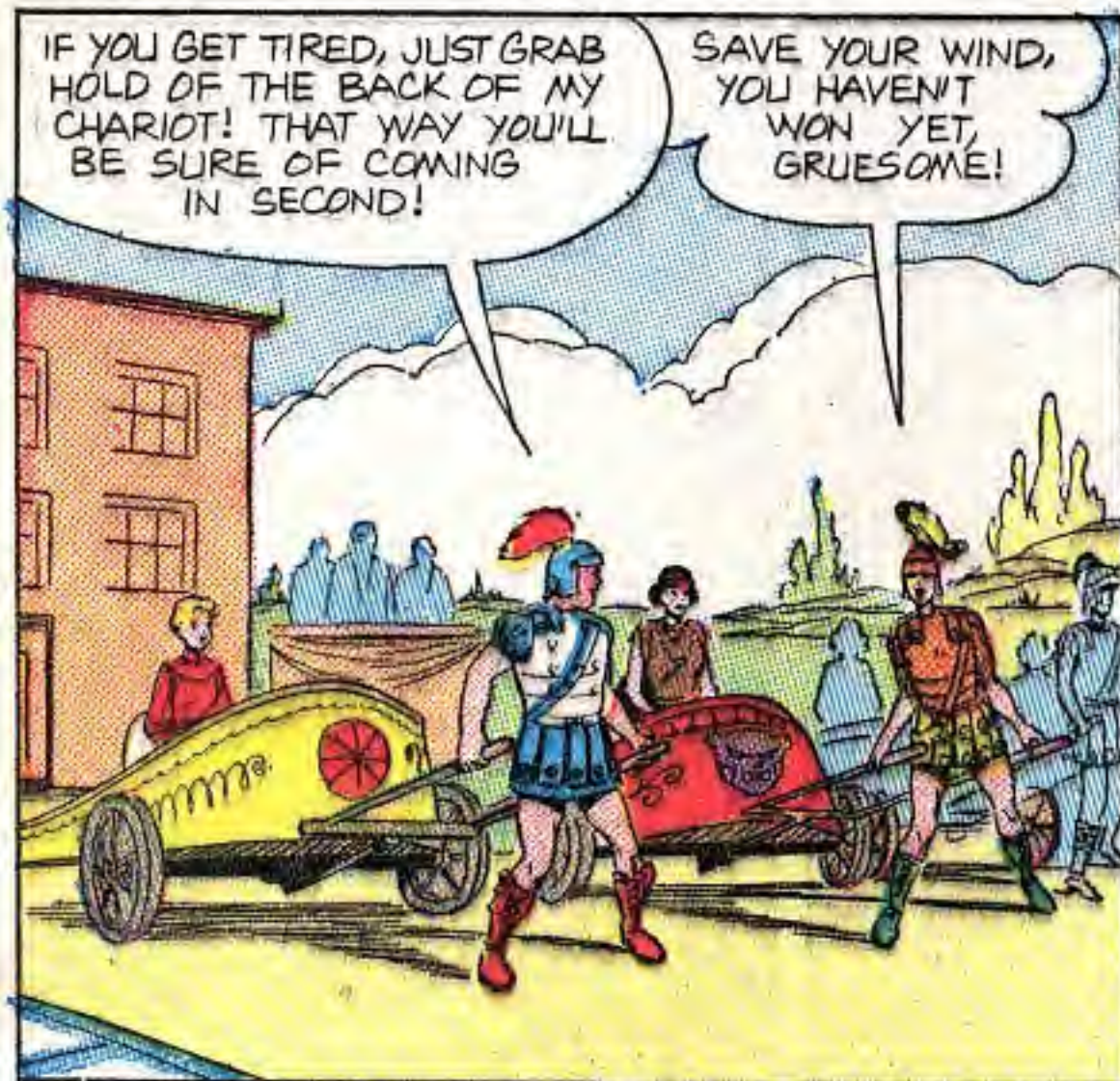
AND THAT EVENING ...

THIS IS MY COUSIN, JEANNIE HALL!

YOWWW! SHE'S TWICE AS BIG, TOO!

DON'T LOOK SO DISCOURAGED, DILLY! CAROL TOLD ME THAT THIS JONES CHARACTER ALWAYS WINS, BUT WE'LL KNOCK THE SOCKS OFF OF HIM! BUCK UP, CEASAR!

WHOOFF!





BUT... BUT... YOU'RE ALL MIXED UP! YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE IN THE BACK!

RELAX, BUCKY! YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A LOT MORE DISAPPOINTMENTS BEFORE THIS DAY'S OVER!



WELL, I'LL BE DARNED...

PUFF! PUFF! PUFF!



I'VE BEEN GYPED! I'VE BEEN SWINDLED! DUNCAN'S SUPPOSED TO PULL THE CHARIOT!

I'VE GOT ALL THE RULES RIGHT HERE! I'LL CHECK THEM!

TOUGH LUCK, PAL! MAYBE YOU CAN GET A JOB PULLING A MILK WAGON!



THERE'S NO RULE AGAINST THE GIRL PULLING THE CHARIOT!

I'LL FIX HIM!

GET BACK, JEANNIE! THIS IS MY JOB!



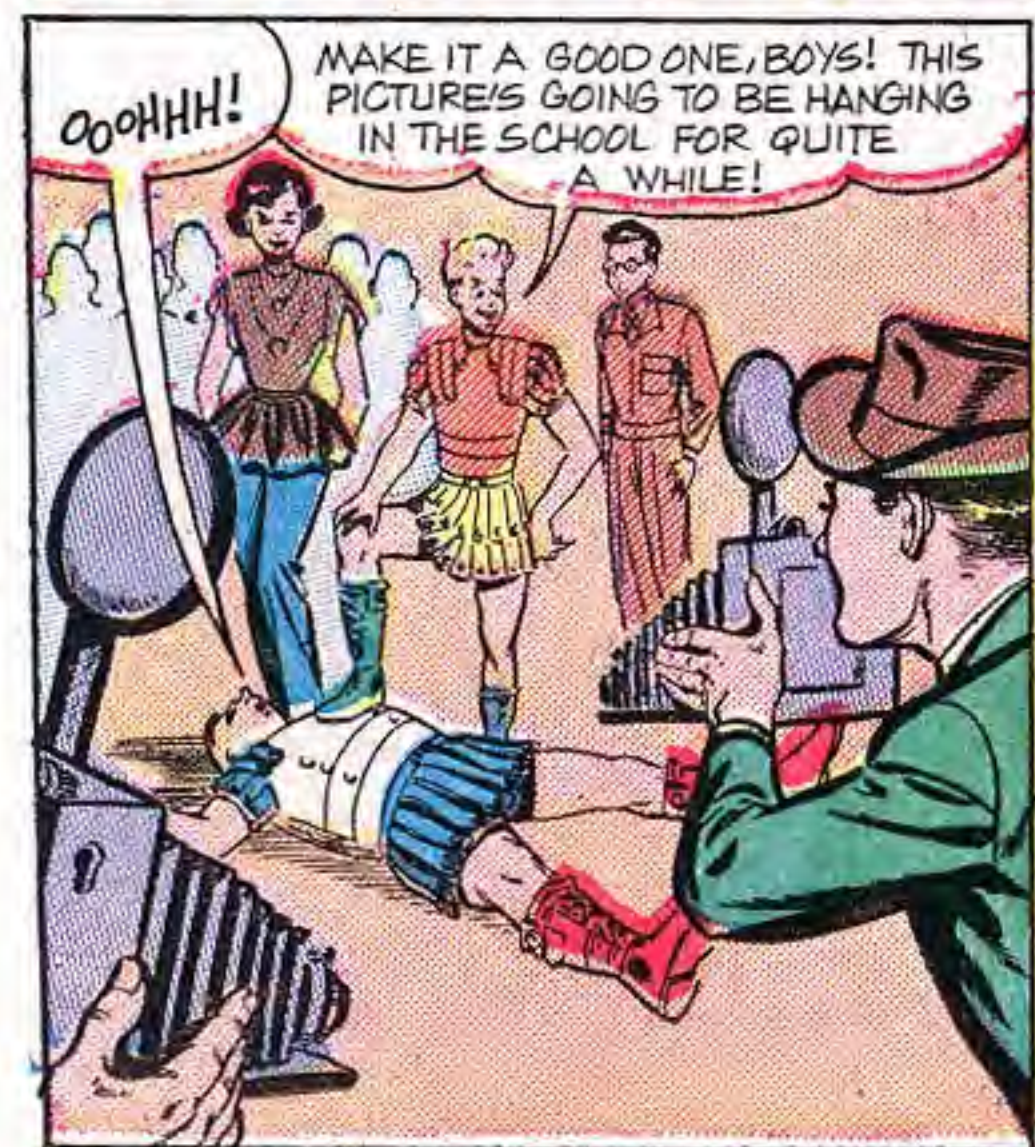
WHEN YOU SHINE MY SHOES, GRUESOME, BE SURE AND USE BROWN POLISH!

I'LL SHINE YOUR HEAD WITH THAT SIDEWALK, DUNCAN... WHOOFF!



WHAT TH...

WHY DON'T YOU LIE DOWN A WHILE, GRUESOME! YOU MUST BE TIRED AFTER ALL THAT EXERTION!



OOOHHH!

MAKE IT A GOOD ONE, BOYS! THIS PICTURE'S GOING TO BE HANGING IN THE SCHOOL FOR QUITE A WHILE!



LATER... NOT BAD...

GET YOUR BACK INTO THAT FANNING, SLAVE! YOU'RE NOT WAVING AT YOUR GIRL, YOU KNOW!

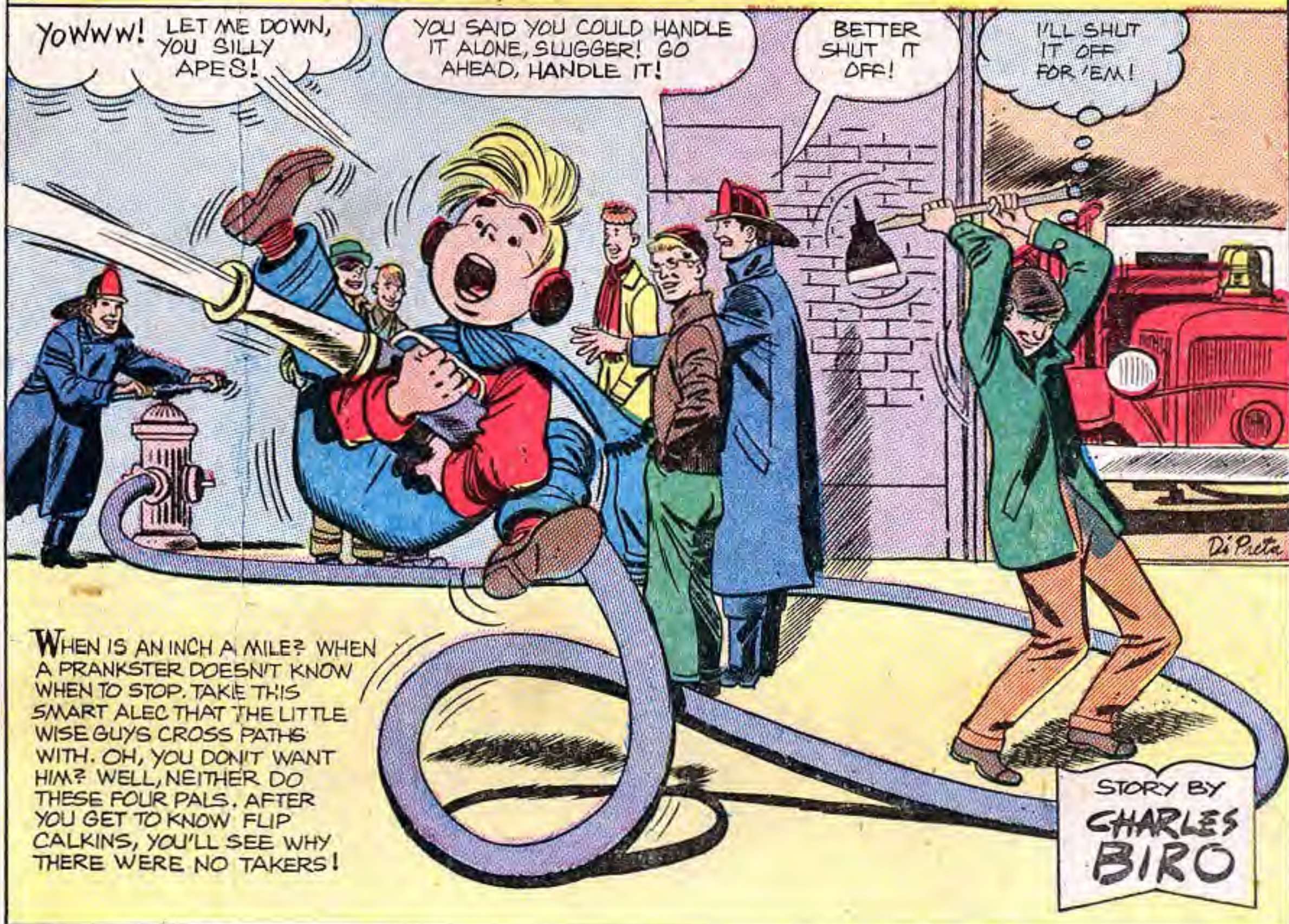
AAAGGHHH!

DILLY REALLY TRIUMPHED IN THE CHARIOT RACE, BUT INSTEAD OF RESTING ON HIS LAURELS HE SHOULD BE SITTING ON THE EDGE OF HIS SEAT, BECAUSE GRUESOME IS REALLY ON HIS TOES IN THE JANUARY ISSUE OF DAREDEVIL! WATCH FOR IT!

THE END

The LITTLE WISE GUYS

IN "WHAT'S SO FUNNY NOW?"





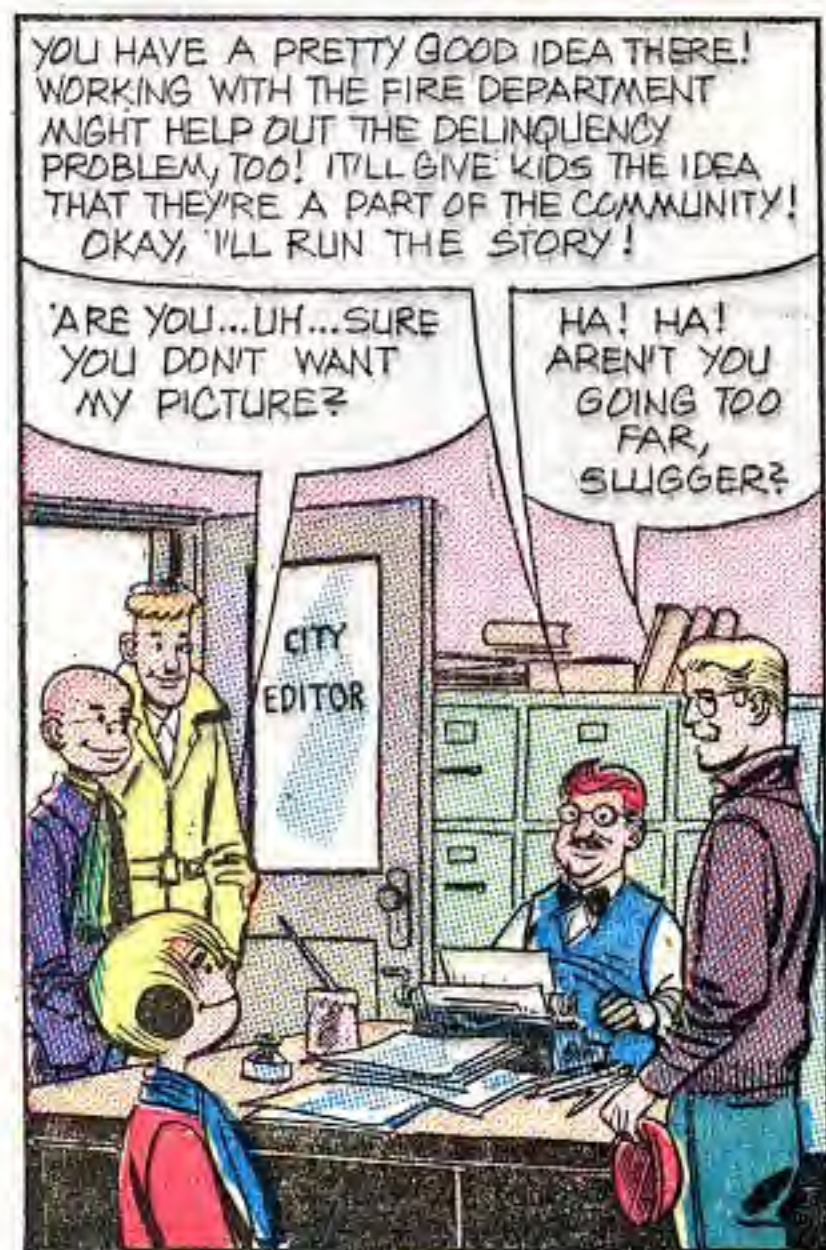
THANKS, KIDS! THIS SURE TASTES GOOD ON A COLD DAY LIKE THIS! THIS IS THE TENTH CALL WE'VE BEEN ON TODAY! WE'RE EVEN MORE SHORTHANDED THAN USUAL THIS WINTER!

WHY DON'T YOU SET UP A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT? ALL THE KIDS WOULD LOVE TO HELP!



THAT'S NOT A BAD IDEA! OKAY, IF YOU KIDS WILL GET A BUNCH TOGETHER, WE'LL TRAIN YOU!

YIPPEE! LET'S SEE IF WE CAN GET A STORY IN THE NEWSPAPER! THAT'S THE FASTEST WAY TO TELL ALL THE KIDS IN TOWN!



YOU HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA THERE! WORKING WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MIGHT HELP OUT THE DELINQUENCY PROBLEM, TOO! IT'LL GIVE KIDS THE IDEA THAT THEY'RE A PART OF THE COMMUNITY! OKAY, I'LL RUN THE STORY!

'ARE YOU...UH...SURE YOU DON'T WANT MY PICTURE?

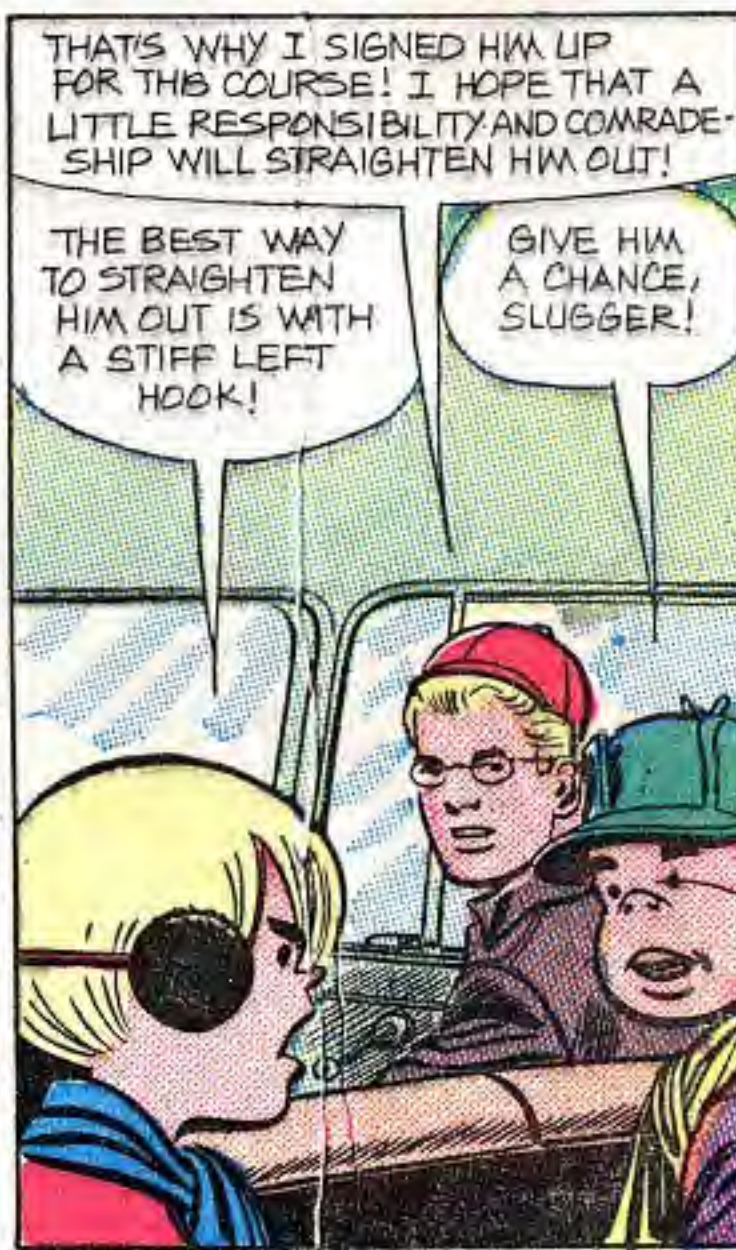
HA! HA! AREN'T YOU GOING TOO FAR, SLUGGER?



THE NEXT DAY...

STOP BY FLIP CALKINS' HOUSE, SCARECROW! I PROMISED WE'D GIVE HIM A LIFT TO THE FIRE STATION!

WHAT ARE YOU MESSING WITH THAT PILL FOR? HE'S ALWAYS MAKING WISE REMARKS AND TRYING TO CAUSE TROUBLE! HE'S NOTHING BUT A FAT PAIN IN THE NECK IF YOU ASK ME!



THAT'S WHY I SIGNED HIM UP FOR THIS COURSE! I HOPE THAT A LITTLE RESPONSIBILITY AND COMRADESHIP WILL STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT!

THE BEST WAY TO STRAIGHTEN HIM OUT IS WITH A STIFF LEFT HOOK!

GIVE HIM A CHANCE, SLUGGER!



IS FLIP READY, MRS. CALKINS?

I THINK SO! FLIP! THE BOYS ARE HERE!

TELL 'EM TO HOLD THEIR SHIRTS ON! I'LL BE DOWN IN A MINUTE!



I'M SO PLEASED THAT FLIP IS WORKING WITH YOU BOYS! HE'S SO WILD SOMETIMES! HIS FATHER AND I GET TERRIBLY WORRIED ABOUT HIM!

WE'LL LOOK OUT FOR HIM, MRS. CALKINS!

HEY! CUT IT OUT!



OKAY, I GOT MY RED SUSPENDERS ON - LET'S PUT THIS CRUMMY SHOW ON THE ROAD! I GUESS THAT LITTLE RUNT MUST BE YOUR MASCOT! I KNOW THIS HICK TOWN IS TOO CHEAP TO BUY A DOG!

WHY, YOU CRUMMY...

DON'T! DON'T, SLUGGER!



WELL, THIS IS QUITE A TURNOUT! COME ON INSIDE, KIDS! FIRST, WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO USE A RESCUE NET!

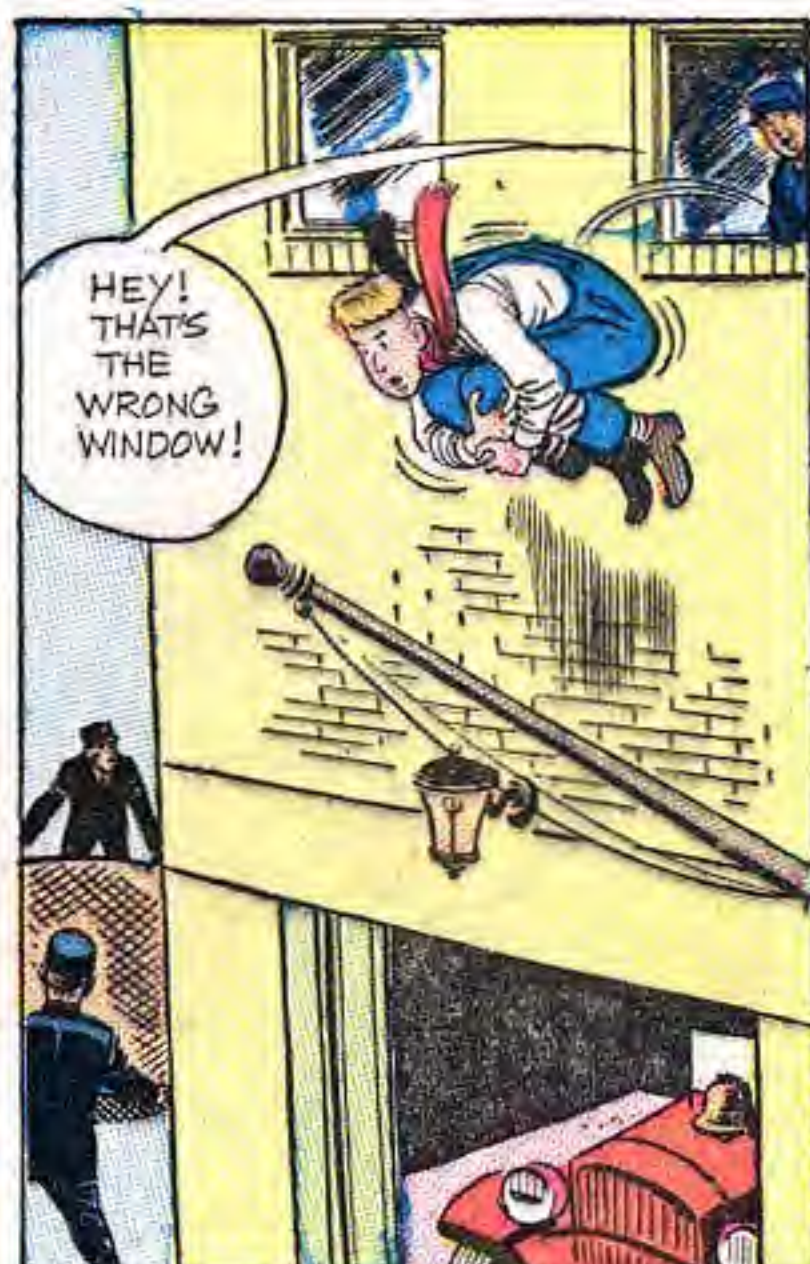
CUT THE READING, CALKINS! HE'S TALKIN' TO YOU, TOO!

RELAX, LITTLE MAN!



BEFORE YOU START HOLDING RESCUE NETS, YOU'D BETTER LEARN THE PROPER WAY TO JUMP INTO THEM! PULL YOUR LEGS UP SO THAT YOUR KNEES ARE UNDER YOUR CHIN, AND CLASP YOUR ARMS AROUND THEM! AND TRY AND STAY AS RELAXED AS POSSIBLE!

I'LL GO FIRST!



HEY! THAT'S THE WRONG WINDOW!



I GUESS I SHOULDN'T HAVE SKIPPED THE FIRST LESSON IN YOUR CASE, SCARECROW! FIRST, BE SURE THAT THERE'S A NET UNDER THE WINDOW BEFORE YOU JUMP!

WULP!! AND NOW YOU TELL ME!



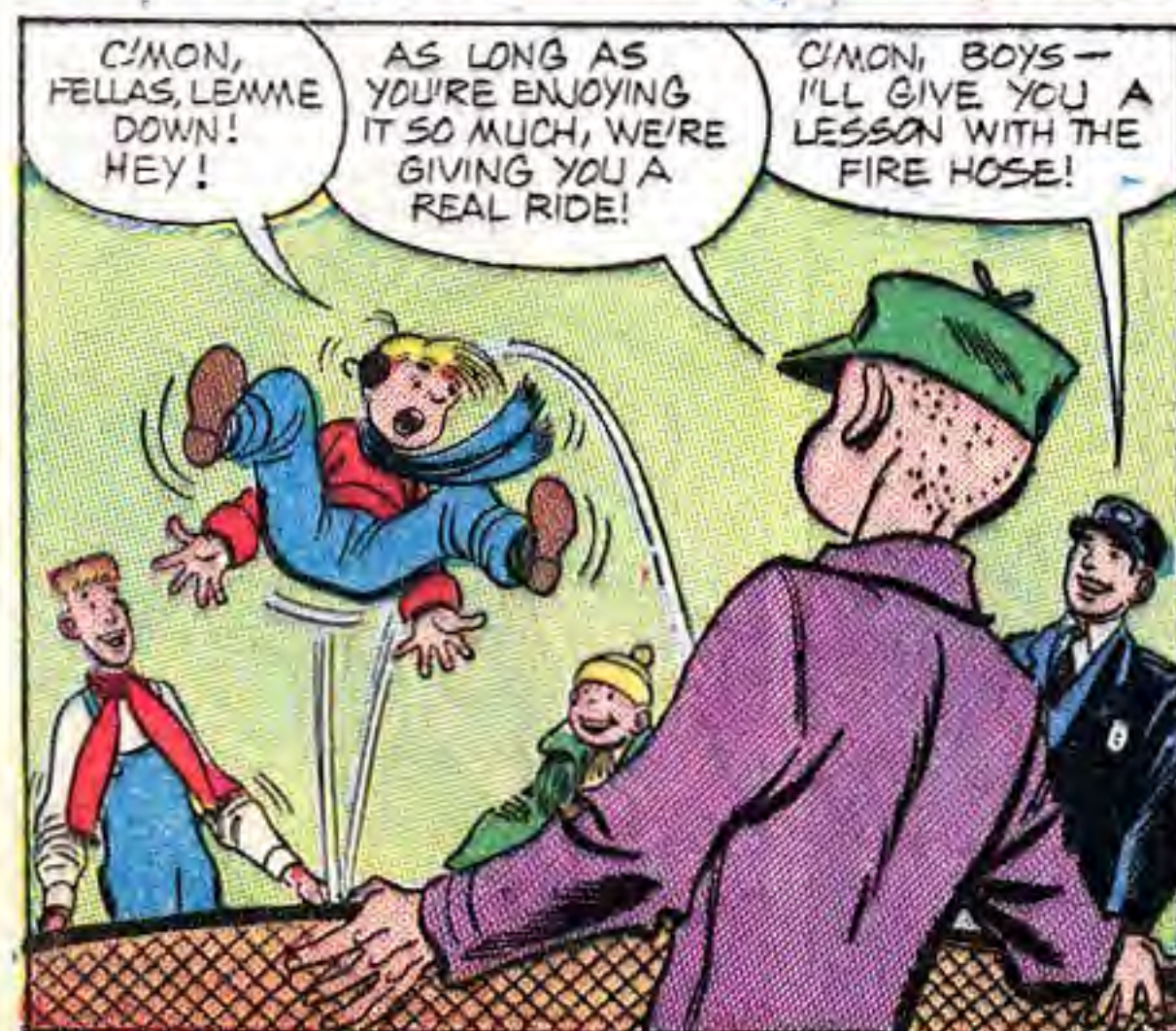
WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE DONE IF YOUR SUSPENDERS HADN'T CAUGHT ON THE FLAGPOLE?

IT'S OKAY! I ALWAYS WEAR MY SUSPENDERS!

GANGWAY! HERE I COME!



HOLD THE NET FIRMLY BUT WITH YOUR ARMS RELAXED! IF IT'S TOO STIFF AND HARD, YOU WON'T CUSHION HIS FALL!



C'MON, FELLAS, LEMME DOWN! HEY!

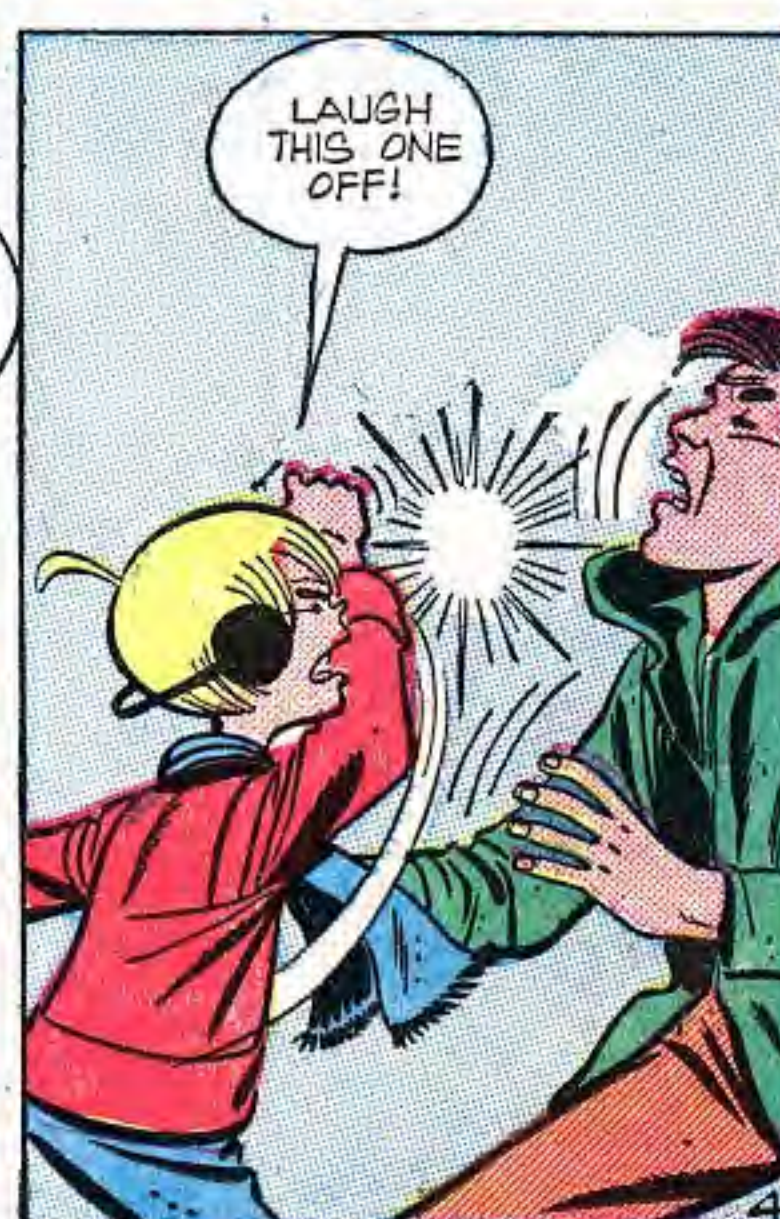
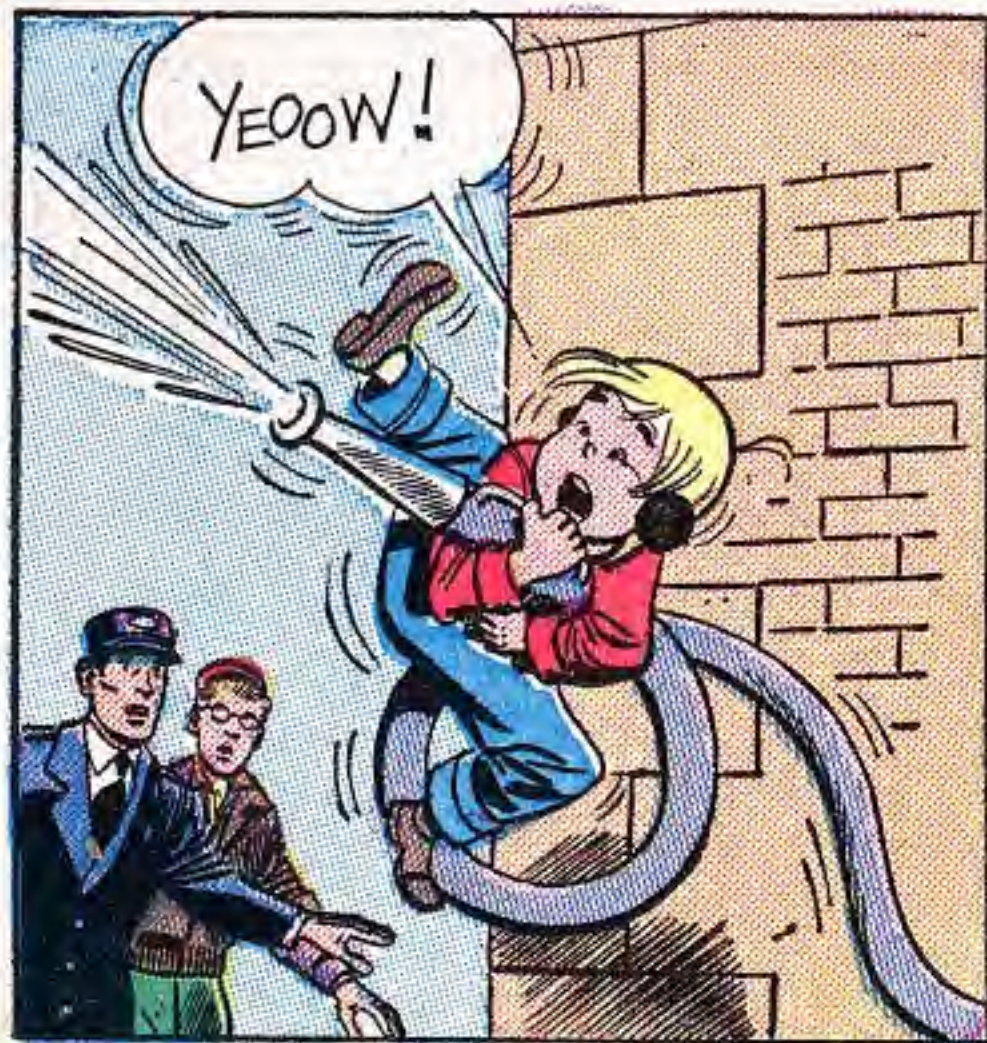
AS LONG AS YOU'RE ENJOYING IT SO MUCH, WE'RE GIVING YOU A REAL RIDE!

C'MON, BOYS - I'LL GIVE YOU A LESSON WITH THE FIRE HOSE!



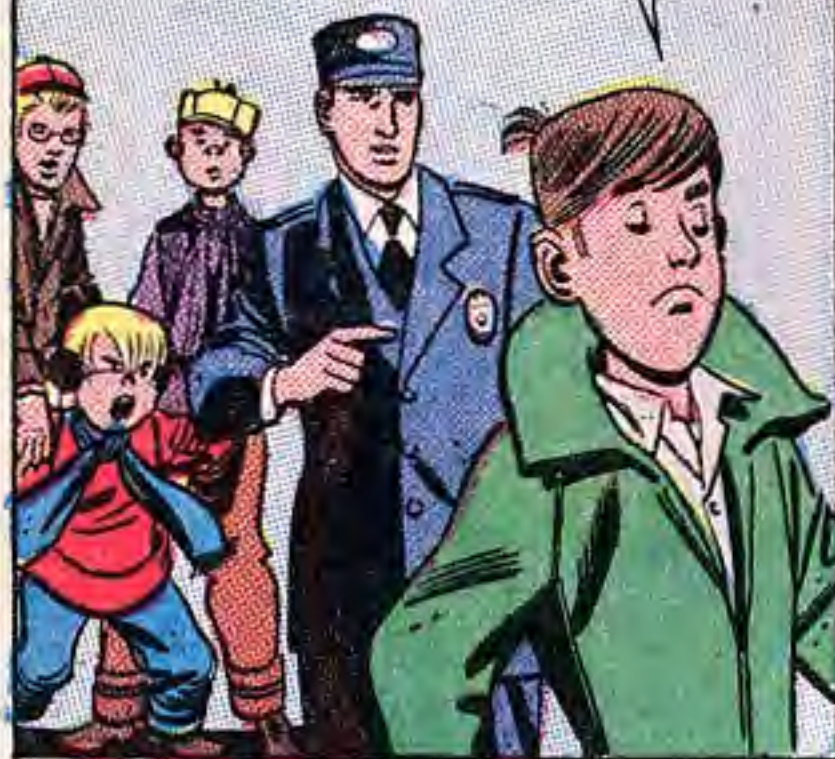
THE FIRST THINK YOU'VE GOT TO REALIZE IS THAT THIS IS NO GARDEN HOSE! WITH FULL PRESSURE, SHE'S A MIGHTY TOUGH BABY!

I'LL TRY IT FIRST! LET HER RIP!

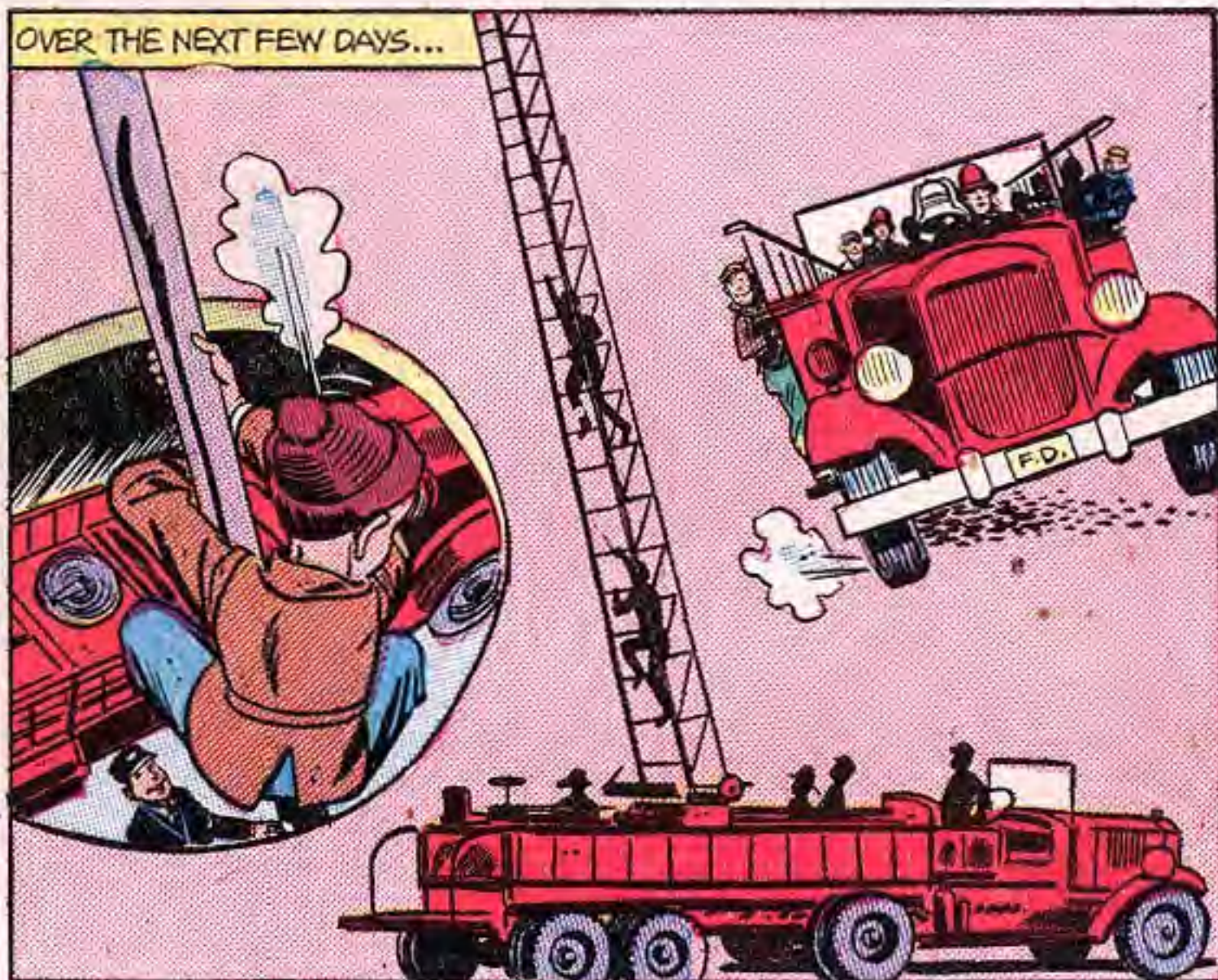


I'VE PUT UP WITH YOU AS LONG AS I CAN CALKINS, AND IF YOU AREN'T WILLING TO TAKE THIS MORE SERIOUSLY, YOU NEEDN'T COME BACK TOMORROW!

YOU'RE
BREAKIN' MY
HEART!



OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS...

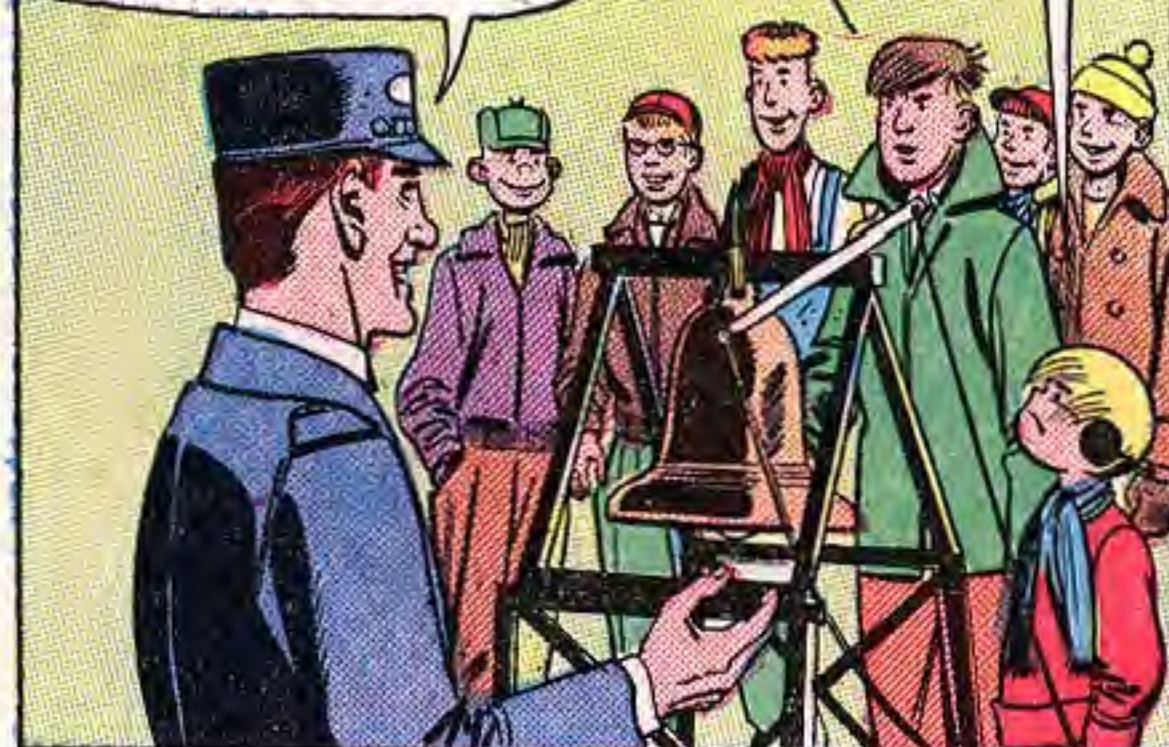


AND, FINALLY...

BEFORE YOU GRADUATE, I WANT TO SHOW YOU THE ALARM BELL THAT WILL CALL YOU TO DUTY! WHEN THIS BELL RINGS, YOU COME RUNNING!

SUPPOSE
I'M
ASLEEP!

DON'T WORRY,
YOU WON'T
BE
MISSED!



OKAY, LADS, THAT'S ALL! WE'VE GOT TO TELL YOU! STEP RIGHT UP AND GET YOUR BADGES AND HATS!

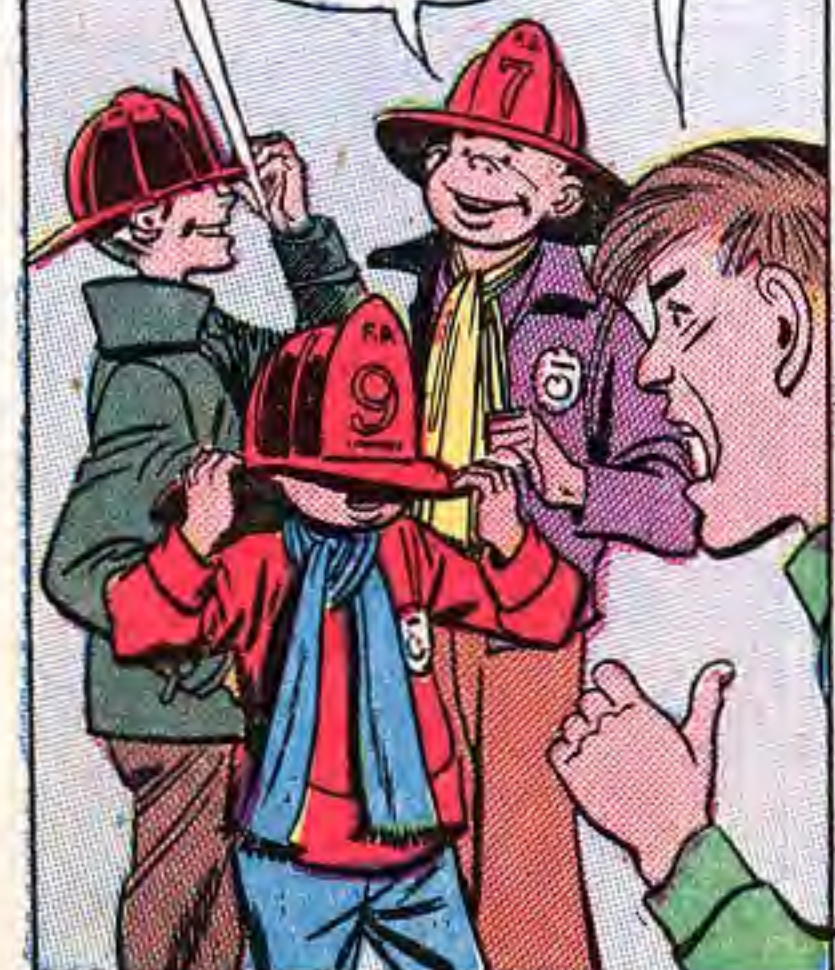
WHEN'S
PAYDAY?



Oops!

YOU WON'T SEE
A FIRE UNLESS
SOMEBODY STARTS
IT IN YOUR
HAT!

WHERE'S
MY
BADGE?



I'M SORRY, CALKINS, BUT YOU DIDN'T QUALIFY FOR ONE! YOU NEVER PAID ANY ATTENTION TO MY INSTRUCTIONS, AND YOU CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE YOU COULD! WE DON'T WANT YOU!

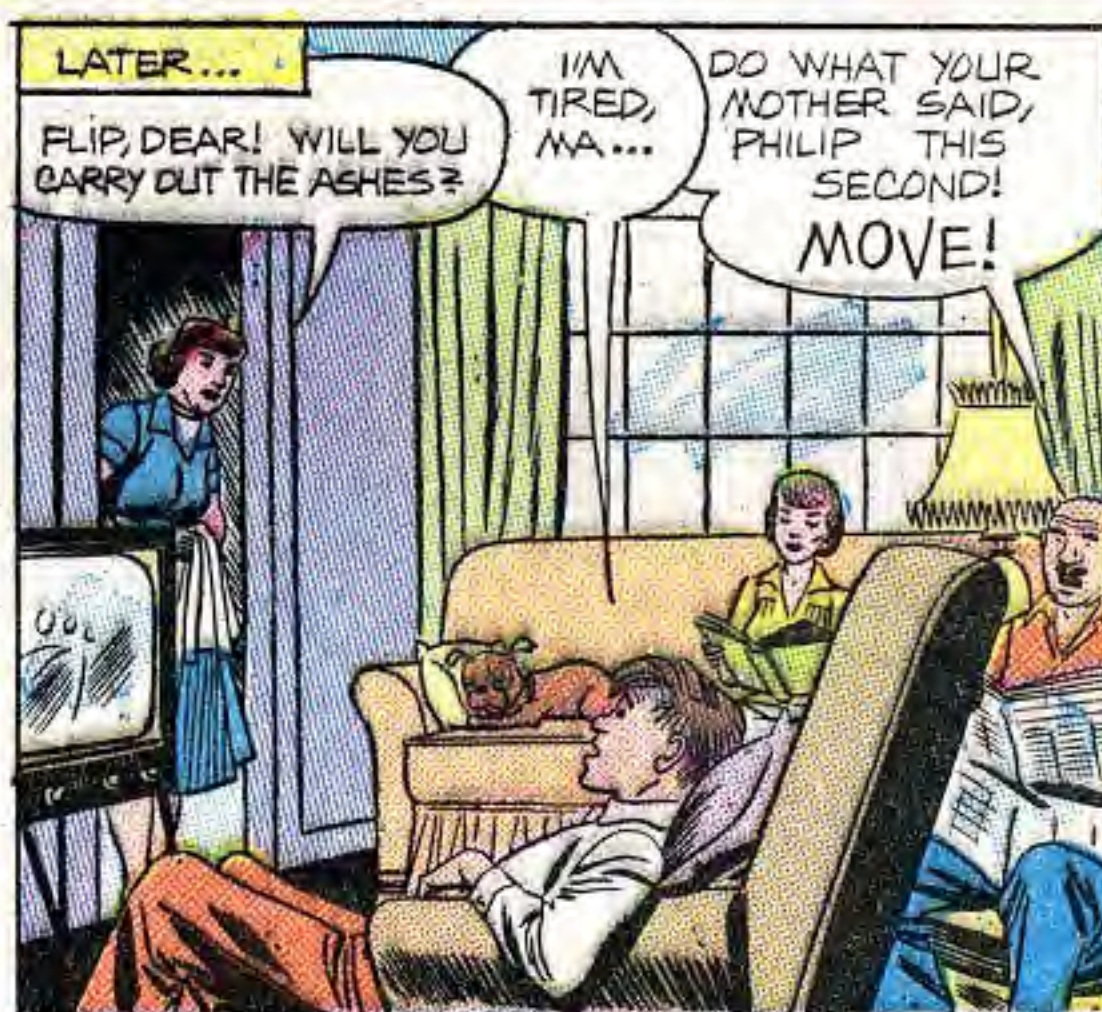
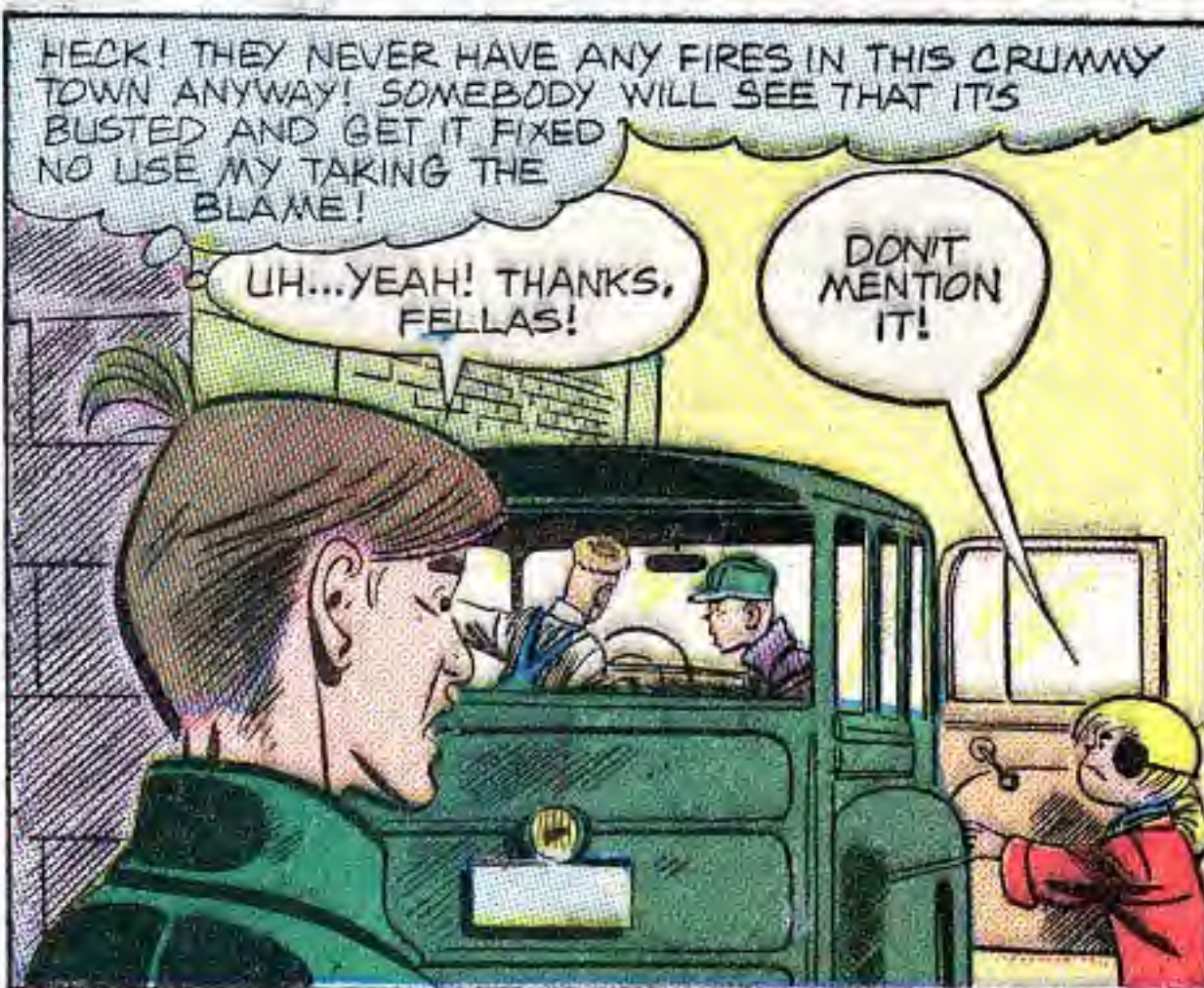
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE
DISAPPOINTED! YOU
NEVER ACTED LIKE YOU
WANTED TO BE A
FIREMAN, ANYWAY!

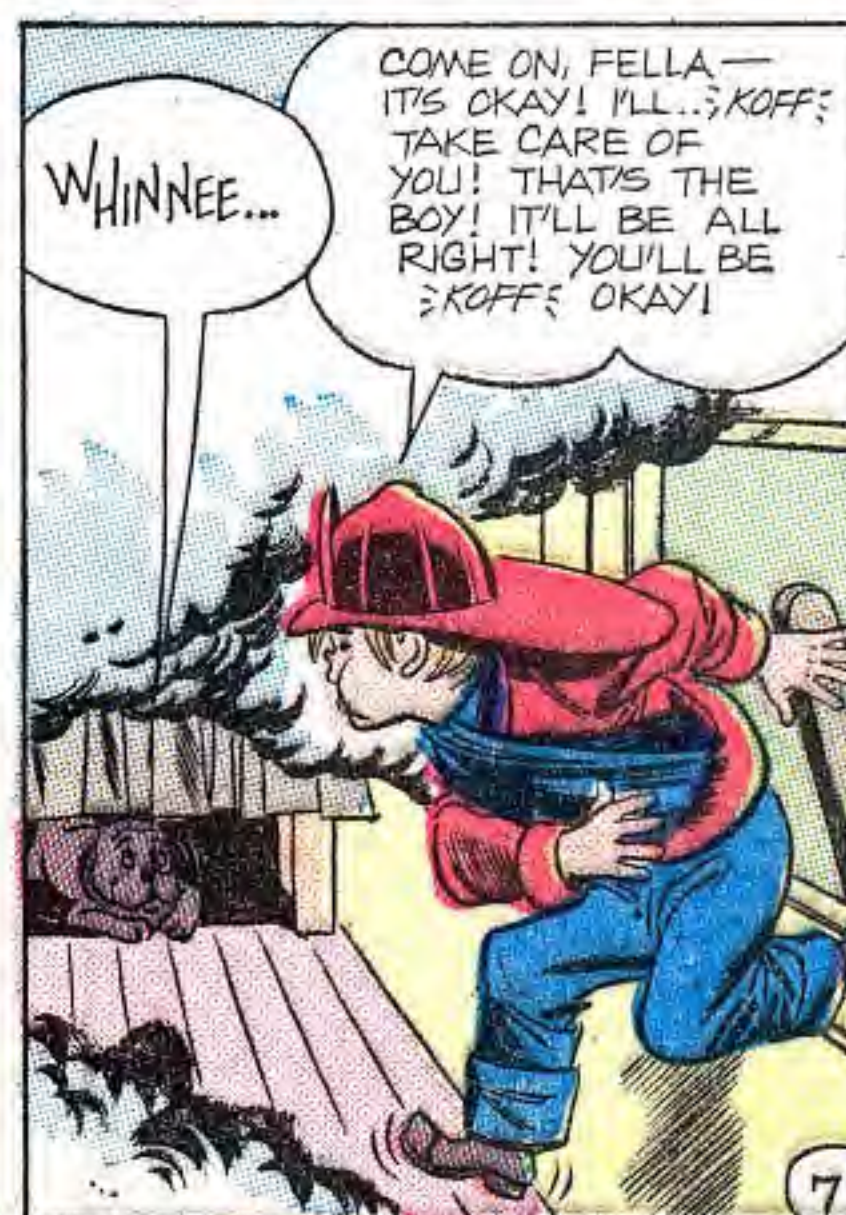
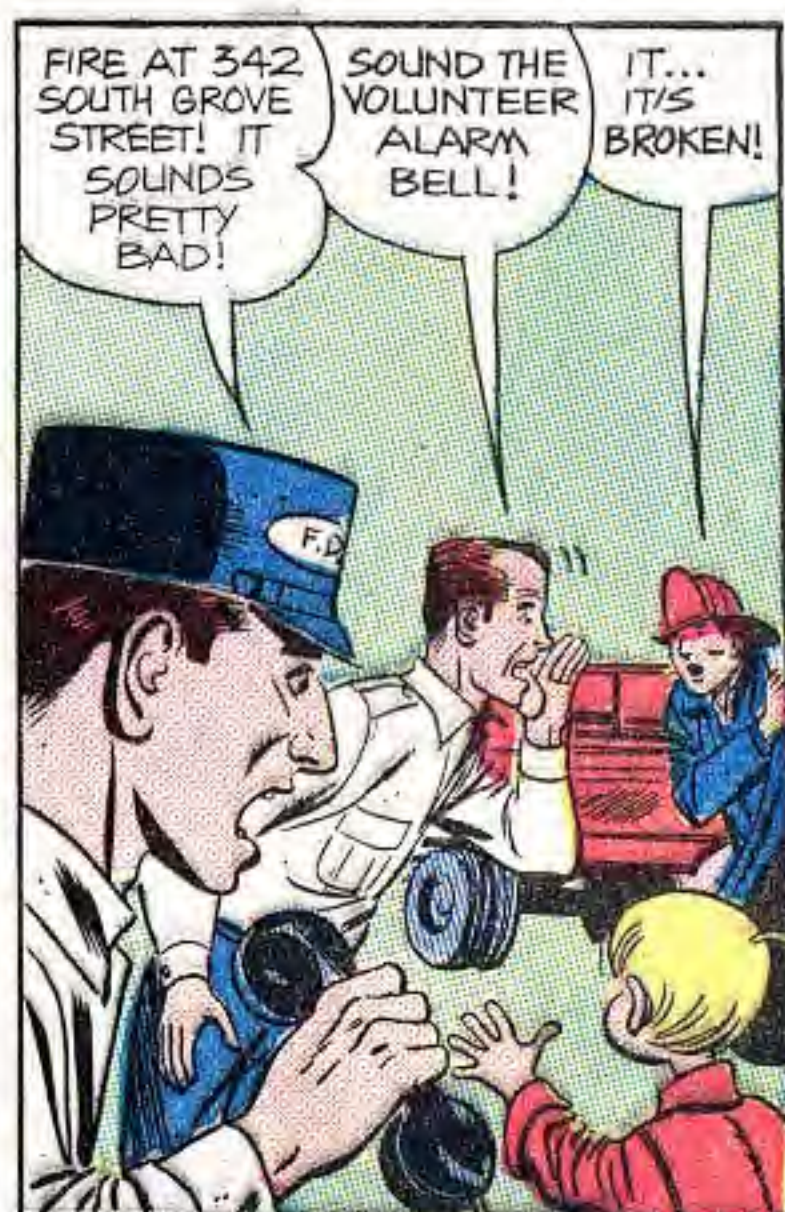


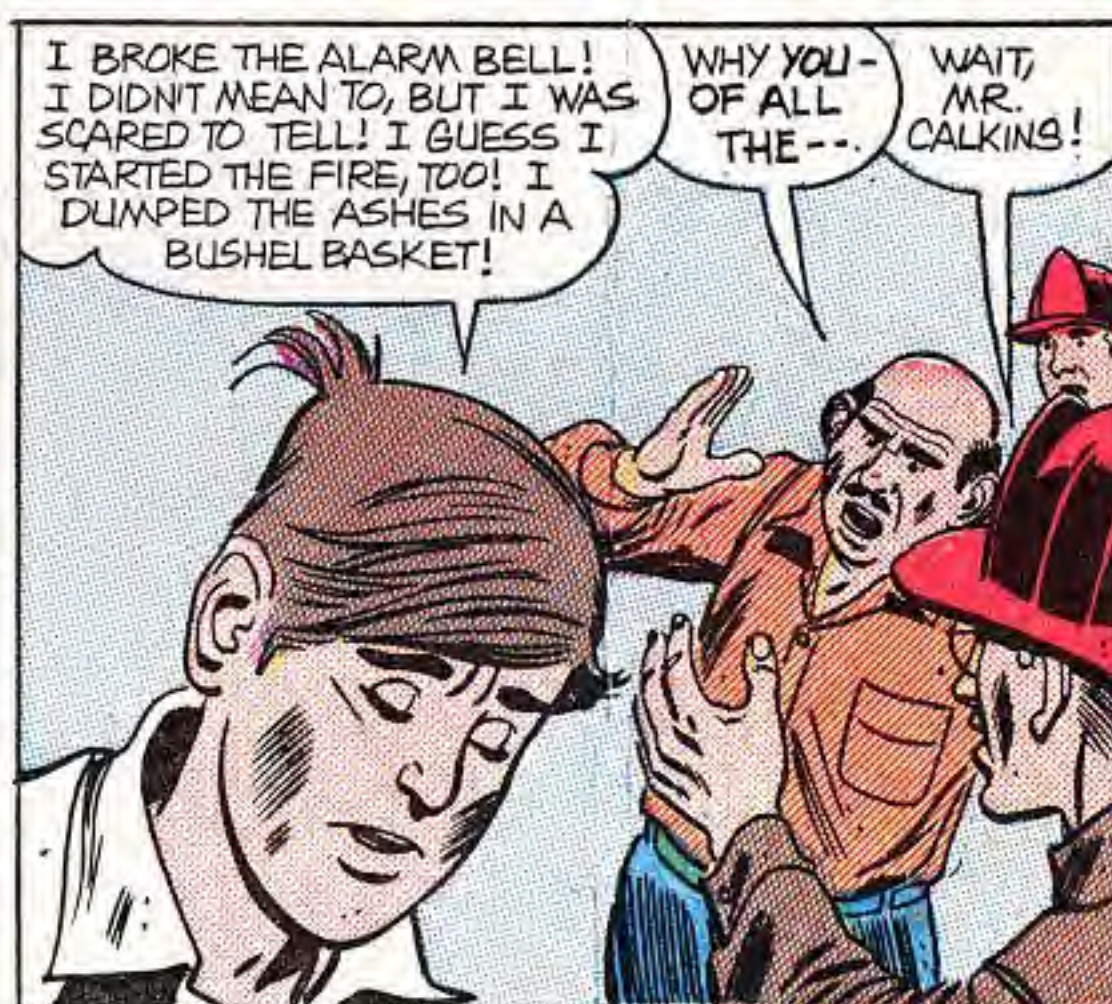
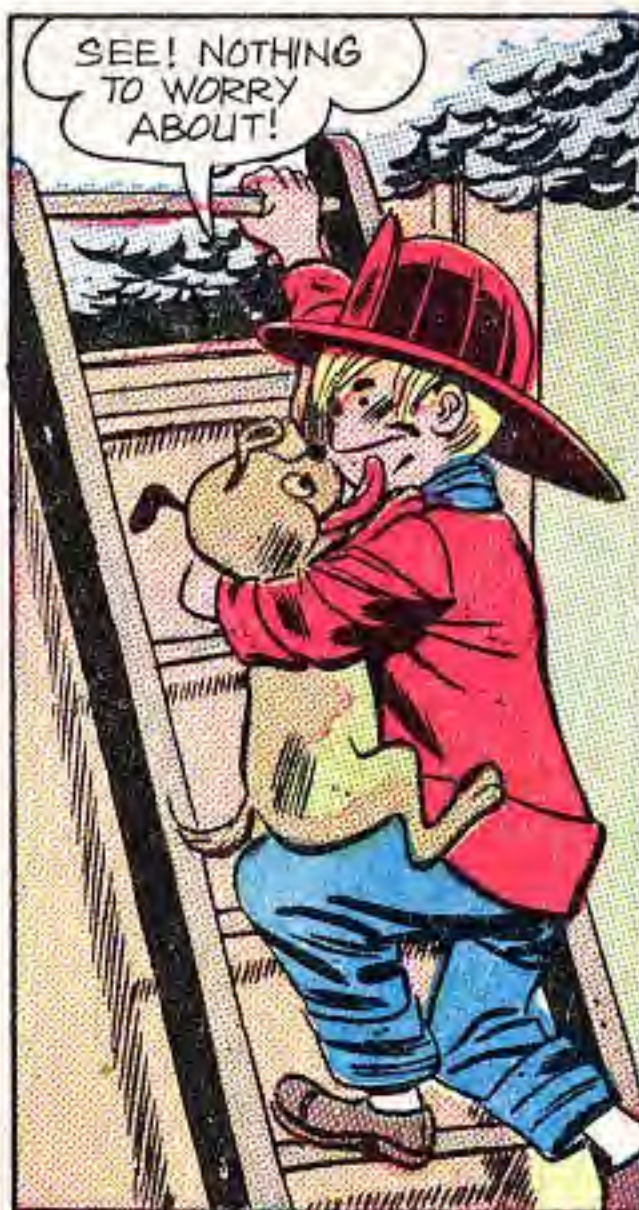
IF YOU CHANGE
YOUR ATTITUDE
AND DECIDE YOU'RE
WILLING TO WORK,
I'LL BE GLAD
TO GIVE YOU
ANOTHER
CHANCE!

NUTS! NOBODY
BUT A DOPE
WOULD WANT
ONE OF THOSE
CRUMMY TIN
BADGES, ANYWAY!
SO LONG,
PUNKS!





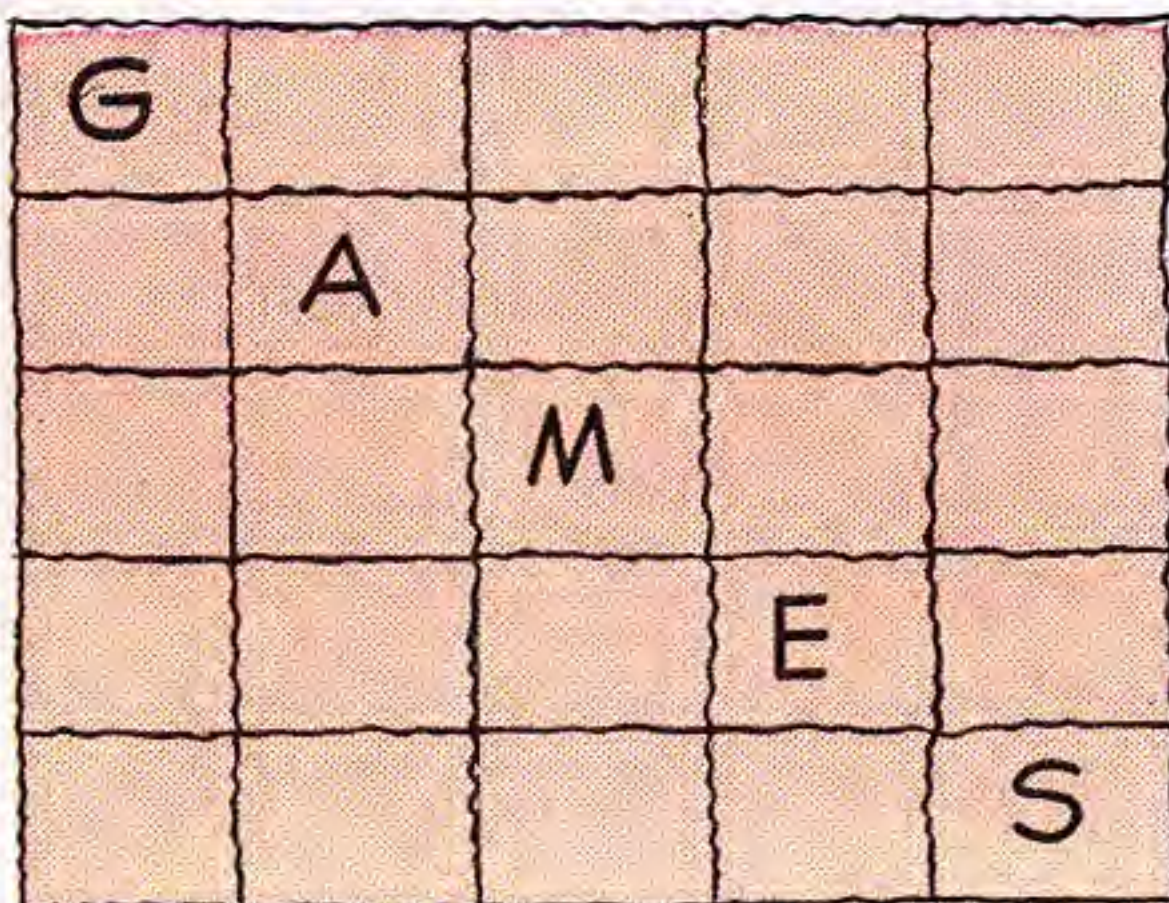




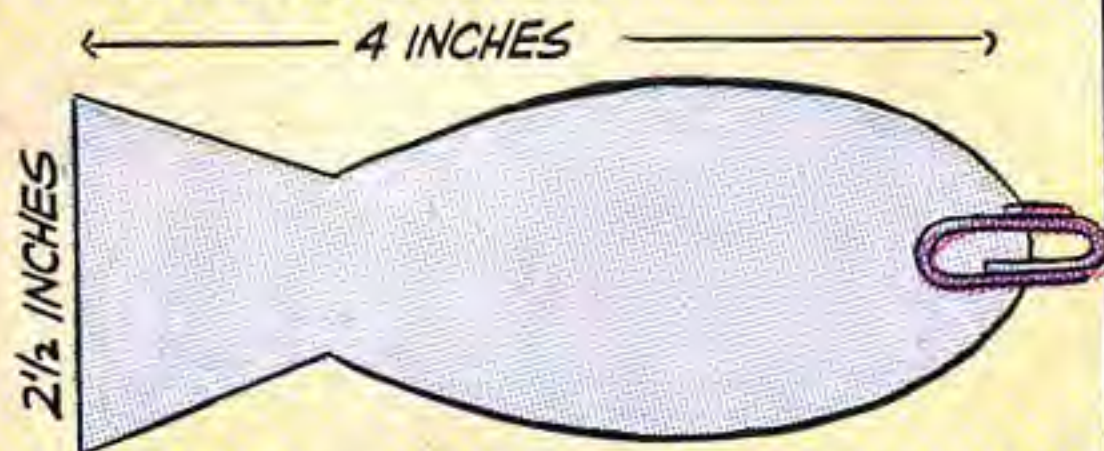
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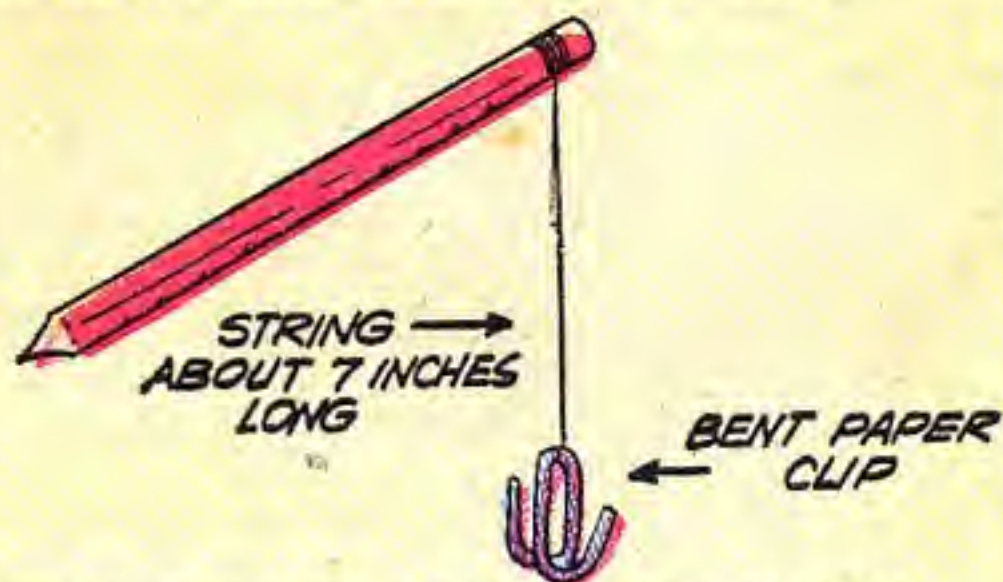
YOU'VE GOT A FULL 15 MINUTES ON THIS WORD QUIZ BELOW. SIMPLY ADD LETTERS TO THE ONES WE'VE GIVEN YOU, AND FORM WORDS READING ACROSS THE PAGE. TRY IT, IT'S FUN.



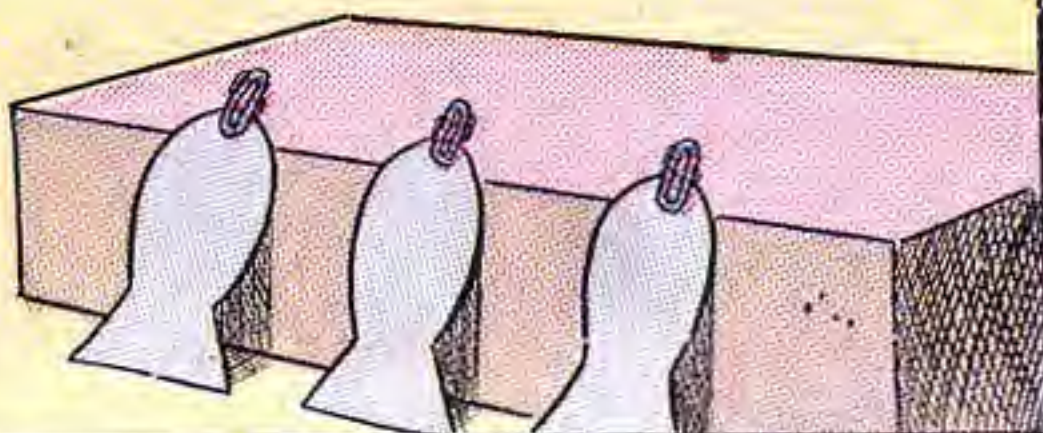
HERE'S A "FISHING GAME" YOU'LL LIKE. CUT OUT FISHES FROM HEAVY CARDBOARD TO THE SIZES GIVEN BELOW. THEN INSERT A PAPER CLIP ON TO THE FISHES "NOSE."



THEN MAKE A "FISHING POLE" AS SHOWN, USING A PENCIL, STRING, AND A PAPER CLIP.



SET YOUR FISHES UP SO THAT THEY LEAN AGAINST THE SIDE OF A BOX. NOW YOU'RE READY TO PLAY THE GAME. EACH PLAYER IS ALLOWED 1 MINUTE TO "CATCH" AS MANY FISH AS HE CAN WITH THE FISHING POLE. IF A PLAYER KNOCKS A FISH DOWN, HE MISSES HIS TURN. 25 POINTS WINS.

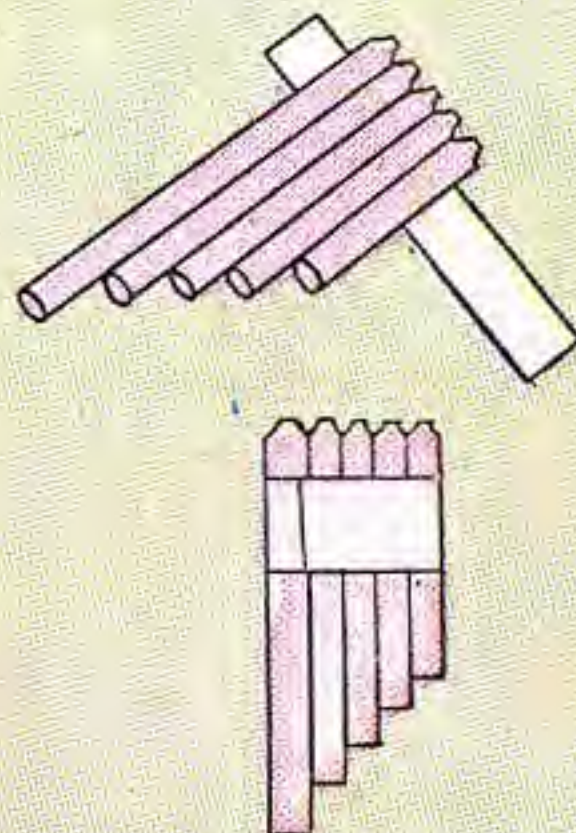
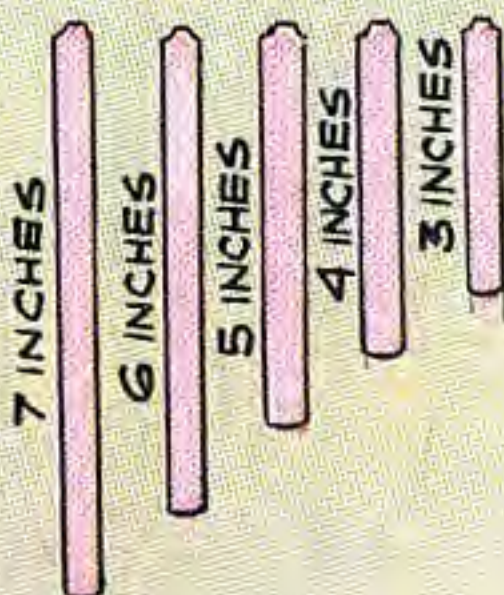
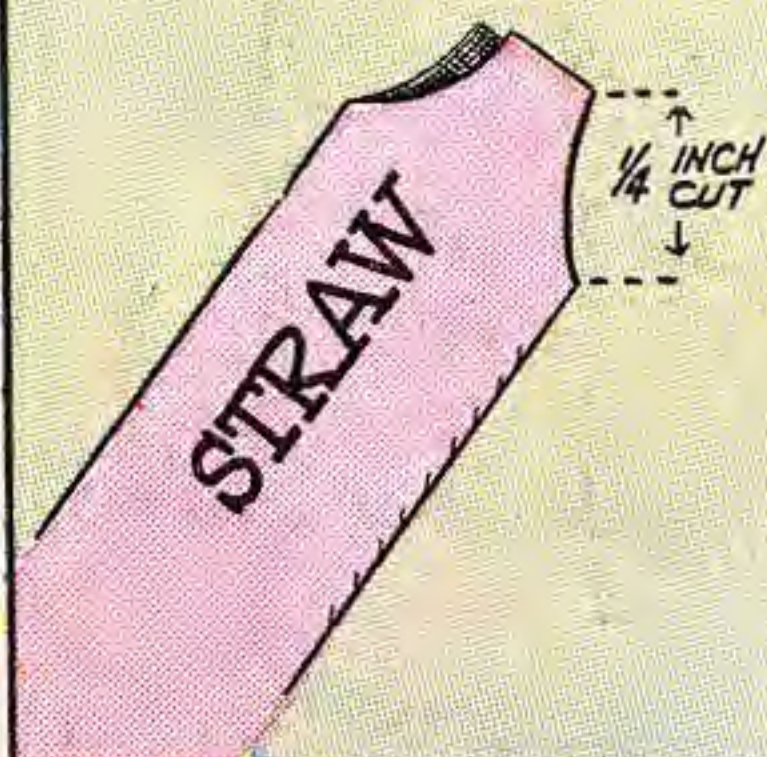


IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE YOUR OWN MUSICAL PIPES, SIMPLY FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS BELOW AND YOU'RE ALL SET.

CUT ONE END OF 5 SODA STRAWS AS SHOWN BELOW. CHECK TO SEE IF THE STRAWS "WHISTLE" BY BLOWING INTO THE CUT ENDS.

CUT THE STRAWS INTO THESE SIZES

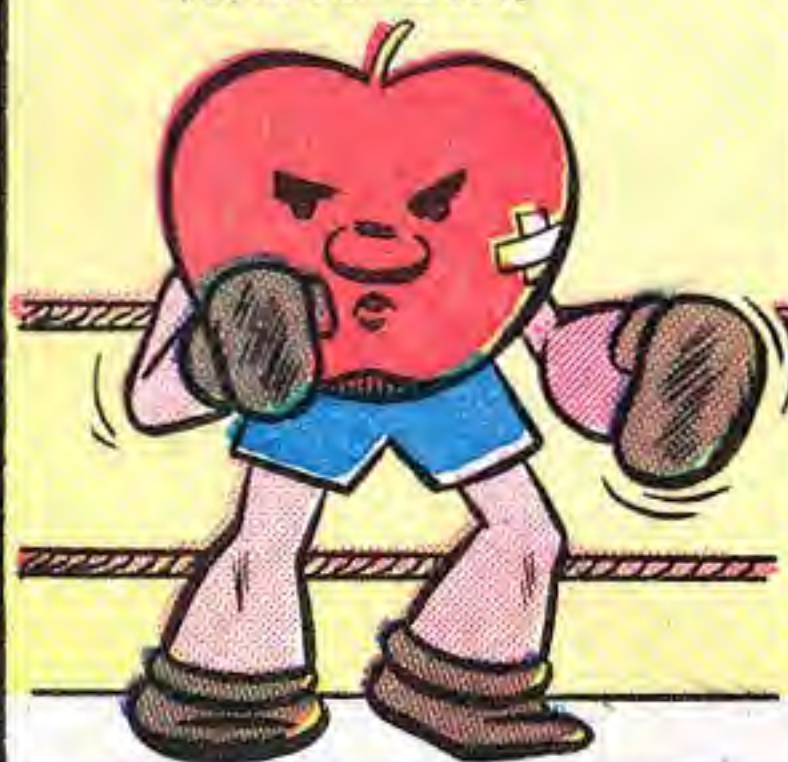
THEN PLACE THE 5 STRAWS ON ADHESIVE TAPE AND YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF A MUSICAL PIPE.



YOU CAN HAVE LOTS OF FUN WITH WORDS IF YOU ONLY STOP AND THINK ABOUT THEM. TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF WHAT WE MEAN, GLANCE AT THE WORD-TWISTERS BELOW.

DID YOU EVER SEE IN

AN APPLE BOX?



A SKI JUMP?



WOOF! WOOF!

A WATERFALL?



A TREE BARK?

GET THE IDEA? NOW THINK UP SOME OF YOUR OWN. THIS IS FUN, TRY IT.

TRY THIS "FISHING FOR CORKS" GAME THE NEXT TIME YOU GET TOGETHER WITH YOUR FRIENDS. IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS IT LOOKS!!! IF YOU FOLLOW THE RULES, PLACE A PAN OF WATER ON A TABLE WITH SMALL CORKS FLOATING IN IT. THEN EACH PLAYER TAKES A TURN AT "FISHING" FOR THE CORKS WITH A PIN. IF A PLAYER TOUCHES A CORK WITH HIS HAND OR TRIES TO "TRAP" A CORK BY THE SIDE OF THE PAN HE MISSES A TURN. THE FIRST ONE TO GET 3 CORKS WINS.



HERE'S OUR PAL CURLY, SITTING PRETTY, WAITING FOR HIS PICTURE TO BE PAINTED. BUT WAIT!!! OUR ARTIST JUST RAN OUT OF COLORS. CAN YOU HELP HIM OUT BY FINISHING THIS PORTRAIT WITH EITHER COLORED PENCILS OR CRAYONS?



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TELL ME CHUM, WHAT'S THE WORST KIND OF WEATHER FOR A MOUSE TO BE OUT IN?

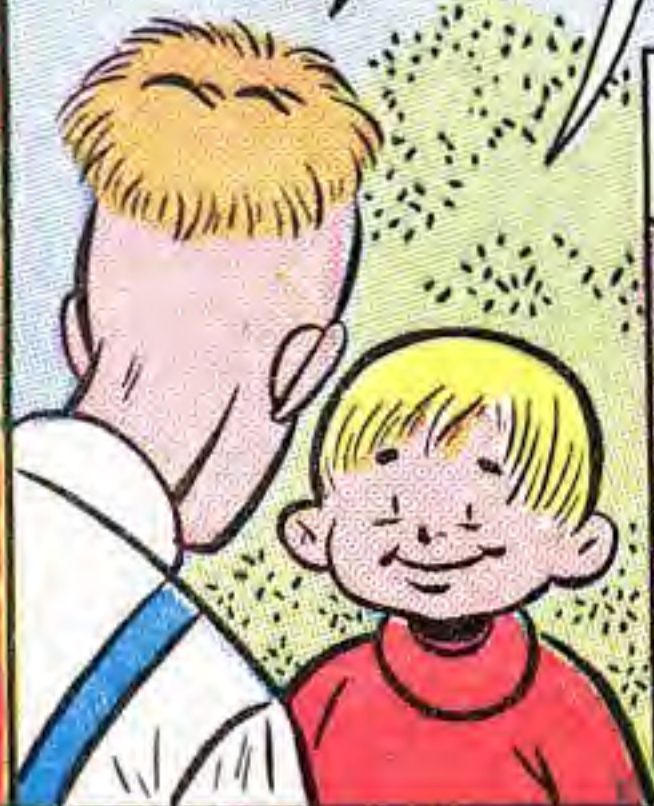
RAINY WEATHER, PAL. WHEN IT'S RAINING CATS AND DOGS.

WHAT IS IT THAT CRIES ALL THE TIME, EVEN WHEN IT'S NOT HIT?

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